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RUTH BISHOP, the Kentucky chapter's valentine for 1952, makes her appearance with a seasonal has-been—the Santa Claus of the chapter's annual Christmas party given by the mothers' and wives' club.

Reported in this issue are the installations at South Carolina (or reinstallation in this case) and State College of Indiana, Pennsylvania. As this issue proceeds to ye printery, stories of two further charter grants are due: Arizona Alpha at Arizona State, Tempe, Arizona, as Number 111; and Massachusetts Delta at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, on February 23, as Number 112. Complete details next time.

However, the JOURNAL's really great privilege this time is in presenting the story, "Tribute to Ten Terrific Years," which is a review of Grand Secretary William W. Hindman's decade of inspired labor and love for Sigma Phi Epsilon. Words and pictures reveal our Fraternity's phenomenal progress since January 21, 1942, when Bill first went to work as a field secretary, later becoming its chief executive.

Other pieces in this issue include an inspirational report by Founder-Grand Chaplain McCaul and an undergraduate symposium which highlights recent work week progress.

Other words and pictures help to carry the impression that all is well in Sigma Phi Epsilon—which indeed it is—and that perhaps tomorrow it will be even better.

—J.R.

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Voice of the Fraternity

Readers are invited to contribute letters to this section to help make it and keep it a sound reflection of creative Sig Ep opinion. It can also serve as a hopper for interesting oddments of Sig Ep information and story which readers feel it worth while to share with others.

Lonely Hearts Department

I am at present enrolled in the School of Business and Economics of Earlham College, Richmond, Ind. Due to the fact that Earlham has no fraternities or sororities, my contacts with brother Sig Eps have pitifully dwindled to almost nothing.

Is there any way I could find out whether there are any Sig Eps within hailing distance of this campus.—HAROLD FAIRMAN, *Indiana Alpha*, '51, Valley Park Trailer Court, Richmond, Ind.

■ *At the last checkup, reader Fairman's chapter brother and fellow Boilermaker Floyd H. Baker resided in Richmond at 601 Peacock Road, while another Indiana Alpha lad, Harold T. Hough, vintage unknown, resided on National Road, West, R.F.D. 1.*

Scholarship

By this time of the year, we should be fairly well settled in all of our chapters. Most of our pledges are in the fold, whether good, fair, or not good. Now our obligation is to qualify them for membership. The big question is: *How?*

1. First, we should place proper conditions surrounding them so that they can adjust themselves to college and develop proper study habits. Among other things, this will mean not pushing them out into numberless activities until they make proper adjustments. The second thing we should do is to give them proper supervision. That requires a personal relation between every pledge and the president of the house. This means time in conference. It will mean proper meeting with all freshmen, assembled together where common directions can be given and where questions can be asked and answered for the benefit of all.

2. The success of these freshmen will also depend on plans for the chapter—socially, financially, scholastically, and spiritually. No business would operate without a long-term plan subject always to changes necessary to meet changing conditions. That's why if your chapter is going to succeed, it must have a plan for the year together with short-term plans for immediate

accomplishment. If we were willing to put into the house program what we're willing to put into a football team, Sigma Phi Epsilon would be tops.

3. It is important that your particular chapter co-operate with all the rest of us if we're going to have Sigma Phi Epsilon strong all over the country. Therefore, it would be fine to hear from you about your program. It will be my job to visit with some of you on paper about some of your past records. I'm really more interested, however, in what you're going to do for the future. Those of us in the older group already know that *you are in charge of the house* and that we are dependent on you for what happens. On the other hand, don't forget that we're interested in you and in Sigma Phi Epsilon. You see, it's our fraternity, too. So, let's get together on a plan and program. Maybe we can make helpful suggestions.

4. Pull in some of the alumni if they don't come in under their own steam. You can't get along properly without them and I'm sure they need you if they keep alive in Sigma Phi Epsilon.

It's going to take all of us to do this job the way it needs to be done.—U. G. DUBACH, *Oregon Alpha*, Chairman, Scholarship Commission, Lewis and Clark College, Portland, Ore.

■ *Last fall, Sigma Phi Epsilon's National Scholarship Chairman sent this letter to the presidents and scholarship chairmen of the chapters. Reports in the last issue of the JOURNAL and this one reflect that there are only a few chapters now downright poor. Scores of them have raised their grades steadily through sounder programs.—ED.*

The Ritual

It seems to me that the time has come to consider revising the Fraternity's initiation ceremony. Sigma Phi Epsilon would be well served by the adoption of a simpler Ritual. Other fraternities do well without the use of extensive mystic ceremonies that are not impressive for the simple reason that they are too profound and involved to grasp. While some parts of the Ritual are truly beautiful, as I recall, others incline in the other direction.—JAMES A. EUCHNER, *New York Beta*, '49, 120 North Second Street, Richmond, Va.

■ *The above is an excerpt, with esoteric portions omitted, from the writer's extensive letter on the Ritual.—ED.*



Night picture of McKissick Library which was completed on campus in 1941.

The Return to South Carolina

A charter which was brought to the campus at Columbia sub rosa on May 2, 1904, is returned on December 15 with fitting fanfare.

By LEONARD J. SHIPMAN

THE University of South Carolina, located in the capital city of Columbia, became the birthplace once again of Sigma Phi Epsilon in South Carolina as the Alpha chapter was reinstalled on December 15, 1951. On hand to welcome and conduct the initiation ceremonies for the 109th chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon were two teams from the chapter at Wake Forest. Grand Secretary William W. Hindman Jr., District Governor Bedford Black, and Assistant to the Grand Secretary Carl O. Petersen officiated. Also present was former District XIII Governor W. E. Rogers, Pennsylvania Eta.

Ten men were initiated on this day at Shandon Methodist Church. In February, 1952, others of the original group known as the Sig Ep Club, along with new pledges, were initiated. Those initiated on December 15: Donald Legare Johnston, St. George; William James Gravely, Seneca; Carlisle

South Carolina reactivation guests hear address by Leodel Coleman, newspaper editor.





Grand Secretary Hindman returns South Carolina charter to President Don Johnston.

Nelson Forte, Awendaw; Richard Marshall Harper, Seneca; Roy Edgar Burbage, Aruba, Netherlands West Indies; Leonard James Shipman, Florence; Otis Bodie Rawl, Jr., Gaston; Charles Disque Hodgins, Jr., Laurens; John Smythe Rich, St. Stephens; and William Rudolph Thigpen, Graniteville.

After the initiation ceremonies an installation banquet was held at 7:30 P.M. in the Club room of the Jefferson Hotel. Acting as toastmaster on this memorable occasion was Dean Orin F. Crow of the university school of education, while William H. Patterson, assistant to the president of the university, was on hand to speak for President Norman M. Smith, to welcome Sigma Phi Epsilon to the campus.

Group photographed at party given by actives of the new chapter February 2.



The principal speaker for the evening was Leodel Coleman, editor of the *Statesboro* (Ga.) *Herald*. Brother Coleman who was among those present at the installation of Sigma Phi Epsilon on the campus in 1929 narrated many amusing anecdotes. Others occupying the speakers' table were Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr., District Governor Bedford Black, Assistant to the Grand Secretary Carl O. Petersen, Don Johnston, and Lloyd Hendricks, president of the Columbia Alumni Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Among faculty members at the university, who are also members of Sigma Phi Epsilon and were present in addition to Dean Crow, were Dr. Robert H. Wienefeld, of the department of history; Prof. Charles H. Lesesne, Jr., of the engineering school, and Prof. Thomas M. Stubbs of the law school.

Other alumni who helped us greatly besides Lloyd Hendricks were T. J. Harrison, Fritz Turner, and Earl Skidmore. As the Sig Ep Club we at all times realized and appreciated the support and enthusiasm shown by the Columbia Alumni Chapter. Those present at the banquet in addition to the above included: C. G. Shockley, R. E. L. Freeman, Jr., Daniel H. Burns, George Geiger, Fred C. Craft, J. T. McLeod, Waldie E. Burshaw, W. Albert Dennis, J. O. Lipscomb, and Rev. George E. Meetz who led the benediction.

Previous to the initiation ceremonies on December 15, the chapter roll of South Carolina Alpha carried 72 names. Of these, five had passed away, according to the *Directory*.

After the original charter of 1929 was bestowed to the South Carolina Alpha Chapter the installation of the following officers were made: president, Donald L. Johnston; vice-president, William James Gravely; comptroller, William R. Thigpen; historian, Leonard J. Shipman, and secretary, Roy Burbage.

The chapter was first installed on May 2, 1904, on a *sub rosa* basis, and ceased operation April 16, 1906. It was re-established on November 9, 1929, and again ceased operation on January 27, 1938. The house then occupied is now headquarters for the Veterans of Foreign Wars. It was once the head-



South Caroliniana Library, part of which was completed as early as 1840.
At right of library is dormitory in which members of Sig Ep colony lived.

quarters of General William Tecumseh Sherman during the War Between the States.

Sigma Phi Epsilon joins the following national fraternities at South Carolina: Kappa Alpha, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Lambda Chi Alpha, Pi Kappa Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Epsilon Pi, Phi Sigma Kappa, Phi Kappa Sigma.

Sororities include Alpha Delta Pi, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Zeta, Kappa Delta, Pi Beta Phi, and Zeta Tau Alpha. There are no local fraternities or sororities on the campus. Most of the fraternities were represented at the installation banquet. Also, a number of other chapters throughout the nation were represented at the banquet by military personnel stationed at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

While we were the Sig Ep Club we had already taken an active part in campus activities. Our intramural football team is presently very much in the race for the campus championship and we anticipate being regarded as a very strong competitor in the fraternity basketball league.

At the present time it is apparent that our football team can end the season's competi-

tion with no worse than runner-up spot. In basketball, we have five men who stand six-foot-one tall or taller.

As a club, we gained considerable athletic prestige through two men who are among the very best athletes on campus. Emmett Gurney, a boxer, last year went to the finals in his class in the NCAA tournament and lost in a close decision. Otis Rawls, a baseball pitcher, was recently described by the sports editor of the *Gamecock* as "looking much better than last year and the best hope of the team."

In our first regular chapter report to the JOURNAL for the May issue, we shall attempt to tell our complete story.

Meanwhile we are happy to begin our life on this campus as a chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Sometime perhaps we can tell readers something about our campus which was chartered as an institution of higher learning in 1801. The main part of the South Caroliniana Library, pictured on this page, was erected in 1840 as the first of its kind to be completed by an institution of higher learning in the U.S. The first fraternity, Kappa Alpha Order, received a charter here in 1880. Fraternities were completely barred from 1897 through 1927, owing to opposition of the administration.



Grand Secretary Hindman exchanges smiles with Art Stoddard, Union Pacific Railroad president, and Kansas U chapter president Clarence Frieze. Stoddard became member of KU chapter.

Tribute to Ten Terrific Years

A glance at Grand Secretary Bill Hindman's record on the occasion of his completion of ten years of service to the Sig Ep brotherhood.

Bill Hindman (back row, middle) was still a field secretary on May 1, 1943, when he helped install the chapter at Wyoming. At his right is Patch; Phillips front left.



WHEN William W. Hindman, Jr., Pennsylvania Delta, '39, joined the Central Office on January 21, 1942, as a field secretary, the Fraternity had only 70 chapters and about 25,000 members. World War II was in all-out progress, and these were the darkest days for Fraternity Row, from one end of the nation to the other. Hope for maintaining the men's Greek-letter organizations was at its lowest ebb.

It was the poorest time conceivable for any man to quit a good position to embark on a career which could only hold dismal and heartbreaking promise. But Bill Hindman did. He sprang into the job with an overpowering zest and enthusiasm, as if this were the most wonderful opportunity of a lifetime.

Today, ten years later, members of Sigma Phi Epsilon can appraise the results. They can go back to that day when the war was still on and this chorus sounded forth among the fraternity leaders of the land: "We can only wait patiently for the end of the war, conserving our resources and maintaining the status quo with watchful economy, then

make our postwar plans." Bill Hindman drafted his own fighting slogan and shouted it to 25,000 Sig Eps: "*Sigma Phi Epsilon's Postwar Plan Is to Rebuild NOW.*"

On that day ten years ago when he came to Richmond as a Field Secretary, he rolled up his sleeves, and he has worked with them rolled up ever since. He was 24 years old.

Today, as this issue appears, Sigma Phi Epsilon can boast 112 chapters, the last 42 of them having been added during Bill Hindman's ten years. The Fraternity has initiated nearly 39,000 members.

No central office of any fraternity has a staff of higher caliber than Sigma Phi Epsilon. In the realm of fraternity work, it is a fact that when most field secretaries want to earn higher salaries, they have to quit their jobs to earn them. Sig Ep's Grand Secretary has always followed his conviction that no work anywhere is more important than Sig Ep brotherhood work. Sig Ep Field Secretaries receive regular pay in-



Bill Hindman gives boating lesson to three young campers at Green Lane Camp.

At right, Bill (extreme left) at Louisville installation looks on while the then G.P. Bob Ryan greets President of the College John W. Taylor. Below: The Executive Committee meeting at Tulsa in 1946 produced a remarkable picture of Sig Ep brass in shirtsleeves and Uncle Billy Phillips (front center) in Indian headgear. Bill sits in front extreme right.





Bill at the Marshall installation in December, 1947. He is now an inspiring speaker.



At Monmouth installation in May, 1948, Bill presents charter to Joe McGuire.

At Oregon Alpha's thirtieth anniversary party, on January 30, 1948, Bill shared the front row in this picture with, from left, Frank Hamack, then Junior Grand Marshal; Scholarship Chairman Dean U. G. Dubach, and (extreme right) District XVII Governor Harold Robinson.

creases as they deserve them. This policy has paid well, and in the administration of his job Bill Hindman is not encumbered with inconsequential detail. If there are more than a pair of national executive secretaries, for example, who possess as much genius in sound practical chapter operation and management as Bill's righthand assistant Frank J. Ruck, Jr., that fact has yet to be uncovered. However, he also earns more money than many of them. Other Sig Ep full time personnel is equally capable.

Bill Hindman arrived in the Central Office at the end of an era. Founder William L. Phillips was preparing to retire as Grand Secretary after 40 years of devoted service to the Fraternity and Herb Heilig had accepted a newly formed post of Executive Secretary, to assume the responsibilities of administering the Fraternity's affairs, until someone else could succeed him.

Bill was working in the wage-rate department of the General Electric Company at Bridgeport, Conn., when the call came from Richmond. He had tried to enter the service but had been repeatedly classed 4-F owing to a blood pressure condition.

On October 1, 1944, he became Grand Secretary when he was 26 years old.

In a statement in the February, 1943, JOURNAL when he was still a field secretary, Bill summarized the Fraternity's wartime policy—in fact, it was he who made it—as follows: "Sigma Phi Epsilon expects each chapter to remain open as long as there are any civilian students left on the campus. Those chapters must keep their heads above the swim—they musn't perish—they must keep alive not only for the men who are left in them but also—emphatically *also*—for all the brothers who have gone out of these



houses wearing America's uniforms and carrying America's guns against the enemies of principles that fraternities were built on. . . . Fulfilling this obligation will take hard work."

The splendid condition in which Sigma Phi Epsilon began the postwar period demonstrates Bill Hindman's many-sided abilities. He collected debts long overdue—many of them well nigh impossible and given up for lost. He gave impetus and energy to policies in the chapter houses which built manpower to winning strength. He overhauled the District Governor system to a point where for the first time it was a truly noteworthy adjunct of administration. Wherever he went he injected enthusiasm and hope.

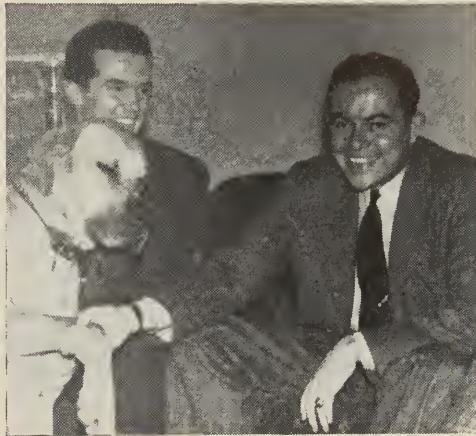
But in addition he expressed his belief in the ideals of the Founders and demonstrated his own vision. In an article titled "Fraternities Coming of Age" in the JOURNAL for September, 1944, he said:

"The fraternity of the future can be a dominant force in the rehabilitation of the world. It can do its part by showing the way to less wide-awake types of organizations. Our goal can be the betterment of mankind. Even though our share in this great task may be a small one it does not necessarily mean that it will not be an important and worth-while one. We can use the leadership that we so boastfully declare that we develop in our members, in helping to speed the work of putting the world back on its feet again. Our members in all walks of life can speed the change-over from war to peace by spreading a little of that brotherly love in their communities."

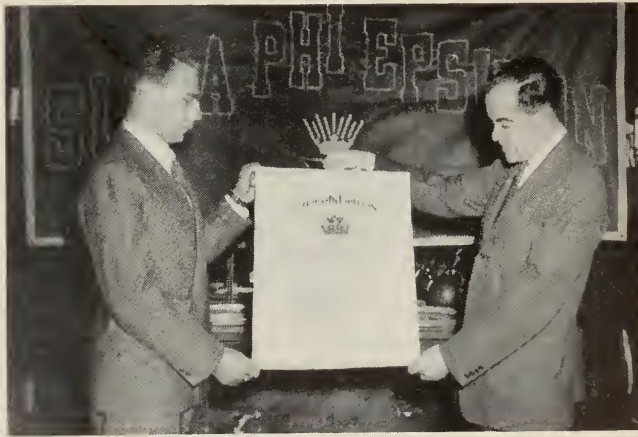
The Grand Secretary is a strong believer



Right to left: Bill, Ruck, Rogers, Bailey, and Pratt at Bradley installation in 1949.



N. Y. Alpha's mascot Buster and friend.



Bill presents charter for Maine chapter to President Doug Johnson in May, 1948.



Bill chats with U. of Omaha Dean Lucas after installation on February 18, 1951.



Bill presents Miami, Ohio, charter to Joseph Link on December 4, 1948.

in a concentrated visitation program. As early as 1946, he kept in close touch with the active chapters, many of which were beset by rehabilitation difficulties, by making 76 visitations to 58 chapters. That year he also made trips to seven campuses where possibilities existed for starting new chapters. He had visited every chapter in the Fraternity. His personal visitation program is still a very severe one.

Despite the long, time-consuming itineraries that he makes out for himself, he manages to run the Central Office, conduct correspondence with members of the Executive Committee, board of trustees of the Endowment Fund, Student Loan Board, do much leg work for the Grand Treasurer, collect per capita and initiation fees.

He gets out the *Central Office News* at least once a month, and signs membership certificates and pledge cards by the hundreds which before his day were merely stamped.

Bill Hindman believes that successful public relations are a matter of successful performance.

Hindman's dream of a Sig Ep Camp Plan for Boys came to life in the summer of 1950 when a considerable number of underprivileged children were enabled to attend the University Camp at Green Lane, Pennsylvania. A greater number were sent to the same camp in 1951. The campaign for funds for the 1952 period has been sufficiently successful to support an enlarged program.

The first such plan to be undertaken by a men's group, it has reflected considerable prestige upon the Fraternity.

Unlike most fraternity executive secretaries who are unable to devote their full time and their full hearts to the success of their groups, Bill's love and life are to raise Sigma Phi Epsilon to the very top. Sigma Phi Epsilon has been his enduring love; he has never married.

On his most recent itinerary he left Richmond on January 23, flying to the Northwest where he conferred with Grand Vice-president Frank Hamack in Seattle, Wash., and visited with members of the Puget Sound Alumni Chapter. Continuing down the Coast, he stopped in Portland where he discussed scholarship problems with Dean U. G. Dubach and chapter management problems with District Governor Harold B. Robinson, climaxing his stay with an address to the Portland Alumni Chapter.

In San Francisco he met Assistant District Governor Bob Ray and the alumni and undergraduates of the University of California chapter to help them solve their housing problem. At Los Angeles, he visited California Beta and the Los Angeles Alumni Chapter, and discussed problems with the host of Sig Ep stalwarts situated in that area—Grand President Luis Roberts, Junior Grand Marshal Paul Slater, and Past Grand President Robert L. Ryan, and others.

He attended the Arizona State installation at Tempe on February 14. Only nine days later—on the 23rd—he was in Boston helping District Governor Trueman L. Sanderson give a charter to the Pegis Club at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

No figure among the fraternity workers of the nation evokes greater respect than Grand Secretary Hindman. His fellow workers in the College Fraternity Secretaries Association paid him a fitting honor last November by electing him their president.

If in the period following World War II, Sigma Phi Epsilon has achieved the reputation of becoming the most sensibly progressive fraternity, it is largely due to the ability, industry, zeal, vision, and belief in the increasing importance of fellowship of this still very youthful fellow who so capably fills the office of Grand Secretary.



TOPEKA DAILY CAPITAL

Washburn Sig Eps repair flood-ravaged home as Work Week chore. From left: Jeanette Emert (standing), Mrs. F. S. Emert, Active Bob Dunham, Pledges Bob Rosenquist and Bob Bannerman, Active Bill Vernon, and Pledge Kermit Palmer (at right, with pipe in mouth).

New Heroes of Help Week

Men of the Washburn chapter rectify a misdeed by helping flood victims repair their home.

By **ROBERT H. REEDER**

SIG EPS gave help week a noteworthy push and improved relations in the community which one fraternity on the Washburn Campus strained to the breaking point by stealing a blue spruce Christmas tree from a beautiful lawn. They accomplished this by forsaking old pre-initiation customs and giving time to benefit their neighbors.

As a project for Hell Week the pledges were given the job of helping a victim of the great flood of July, 1951. At the suggestion of officers of the Altrusa Club, the home of Mrs. F. S. Emert, which is located at 1331 North Monroe, was selected.

Mrs. Emert, a widow, lives with her two daughters, Jeanette and Bernice, an invalid. They lost all of their downstairs furniture along with much of their personal belongings. The water stood over six feet in their home.



Drake Sig Eps completed the most useful Help Week in campus history by redecorating home for crippled children in town.

The pledges with the supervision of several actives spent a week removing varnish from the woodwork and many other little jobs which the women could not do. Each pledge spent over four hours on the job at a time when final examinations were looming on the horizon.

The joy in helping others was rewarding and gratifying. "They are doing a wonderful job," Mrs. Emert said, "We certainly needed someone to help us and the boys have pitched in and worked so conscientiously."

This was reward enough for anyone.

Along with this project it was decided to give a pint of blood when a Red Cross Bloodmobile came to town. The pledges all gave along with several actives who volunteered. Out of the 130 pints donated in Topeka, a city with 100,000 people, the Sig Eps gave 22. Fred Meek was the only one who did not make it through the ordeal—he fainted. He is an active.

Help week was a success.

On Other Fronts

Meanwhile other Sig Ep houses throughout the land were doing their best to stifle the old traditional practices by putting truly helpful work weeks in their place. In the state of Kansas, also, the Sig Eps at Baker followed the nationwide trend toward the discontinuation of hell week when for the first time they attempted a "Reconstruction Week." However, due to a deep snow, a plan to paint the curbs for the city necessarily had to dropped.

At Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, according to the report of Historian Walter

Washburn men not only repair a house gratis but run up a blood-giving record as well. First row: Actives Snyder, Gillam, Etzel. Second row: Pledge Figgs, Actives Taylor and Snyder. Pledge McGuire lies on cot under eye of Bloodmobile Nurse Ruby Calkins.



W. White, instead of having the usual gunny sacks and shoe shine kit the Sig Ep pledges of Drake plied putty knives and paint brushes.

The last part of November, actives of Iowa Delta placed in a human interest column in the local paper a request for a community project to do during Help Week. The one that was finally selected was to redecorate the 10-room home used by the Iowa Society for Crippled Children. This home is supported by the local Kiwanis Club, and with their help the pledges dug in.

For six days 42 pledges and 6 actives as supervisors worked 12 hours a day to complete the project. There were 10 rooms and three large halls that had to have the wall paper steamed off, the cracks and holes plastered, and two coats of paint applied to all the walls and ceilings. Materials and paints were contributed by local businessmen.

The Sig Eps are the first fraternity on the Drake campus to undertake such a project.

Another glowing Help Week story is contributed by Bill Peterson of the Florida Southern chapter.

The nine Florida Southern fraternities met early in the term to discuss the growing

interest for the abolishment of Hell Week. All agreed to initiate a worth-while project for their pledges to replace the old often-times damaging customs.

At the present time the pledges of the individual organizations are completing a combined project. The Salvation Army Hall in Lakeland was in dire need of a paint job. After consultation with the church officials it was decided that they would furnish the scaffolding and paint and the pledges the manpower. Each fraternity sends two pledges to the church each afternoon for four hours, thus guaranteeing a minimum of 18 men.

The individual fraternities are graded on their co-operation in supplying the required number of men each afternoon. A daily report is displayed in a prominent position on campus signifying whether a certain organization sent 1 man for 50 per cent co-operation, 2 men for 100 per cent, or 3 for 150 per cent, etc., for the preceding afternoon.

"Help Week" at Florida Southern is not just the transition within the individual fraternities, but a project that is bringing the Greek-letter organizations into more harmonious relations than we have experienced in some years.



The Fraternity's camp program conceived by Grand Secretary Hindman is dear to his heart for the opportunities it offers to broaden the Sig Ep heart through deeds of real brotherhood.



Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr., (right) presents charter for No. 110 at Indiana State, Pa., to President Joe Caletri.

One of the two houses used by Indiana State Sig Eps. Called Cottage B, it houses 10 men.



A New One in Pennsylvania

State College of Indiana, Pa., becomes home of Pennsylvania Xi as 55 undergraduates are initiated into 110th chapter on January 5.

By **ROBERT A. COUGHENOUR**

STATE COLLEGE, of Indiana, Pa., became on January 5, 1952, the home of the 110th chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Phi Sigma, a local fraternity, was installed as Pennsylvania Xi chapter on that day raising Sig Ep representation in the state to 14 chapters.

Three teams, one from Pennsylvania Eta located at Pennsylvania State College, another from Pennsylvania Nu located at Thiel College, and a third from Pennsylvania Gamma located at the University of Pittsburgh, conducted the initiation held at the Activities cottage and the Team House of the college. Grand Secretary William W.



President James McKenna, extreme left, chats with Cugini, Casile, Belli, and Pellegrine.

Hindman, Jr., and Assistant to the Grand Secretary Frank J. Ruck, Jr., officiated.

Fifty-five undergraduates were initiated as charter members of the chapter in addition to five alumni members of the old fraternity. The undergraduates initiated included:

Joseph J. Caletti, Edward A. Teichert, Jr., William R. Kircher, William A. Blehar, George P. Reiss, Jr., Edward S. Clay, Peter P. Casile, Jr., Paul Perhosky, Edward G. Branish, Joseph L. DeBlase, Earl E. Moore, Jr., Marshall J. Policichio, Anthony B. DePasquale, Richard S. Kapsa, Robert P. Jordan, William R. Jones, Frank B. Munson, Earl George, Robert E. Green, Francis E. Bolton, Olen H. Hays, Jr., Francis J. Balint, Robert A. George, William Joseph, Jr., Richard B. Froggatt, Max Afanesko, Bernard S. Sewak, Nicholas W. Grigas, Jr., Martin M. Keller, Rudolph J. Crispeno, Robert H. Carroll, Roger W. Speidel, Jr., John N. Leone, Jr., Robert A. Coughenour, George M. Sokolovich, Edward J. Black, Frank E. Shaffer, Anthony F. Lenzi, James F. McKenna, William J. Jordan, John W. Dean, Jr., R. Keith Michael, John J. Conley, Richard L. Grabiak, Donald Nicoll, John J. Onstead, William E. Boyd, John P. Kraynak, Anthony J. Marcenelle, William F. Sabota, Jr., Ernest W. Frombach, John E. McGlaughlin, Dundee Belli, Chester F. Gill, and John C. Cugini.

The alumni who were initiated include:

Paul A. Rischeberger, professor of education at the college; James K. Stoner, professor of business education at the college; Raymond P. Phillips, head football coach at Elders Ridge High School; Joseph J. Dutkosky, business instructor



Fisher Auditorium, one of newest and most beautiful of campus buildings, has latest equipped modern stage and seats 1,600 persons.

John Sutton Hall, named for an early benefactor, houses the administration offices.



Past President McGlaughlin (kneeling) jests with Lenzi, Speidel, Hays, and Clay (l. to r.).

Speakers are still eating. They're (from left) Whitmyre, Ruck, Heiges, Caletti, Stoner, Hindman, Pratt, Guard, Dutkosky, and Ray Phillips.

at Elders Ridge High School; and Donald Kuntz, music instructor at Girard Public Schools, Girard, Pa.

Through the long-continued effort of the president of Phi Sigma fraternity, Joseph J. Caletti, the installation of Pennsylvania Xi chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon thus become a reality. It was his inspired interest and his leadership that united his brothers in the move for a national charter.

A breakfast at the college dining room for the charter members, national officers and visiting teams began the week-end activities. Following this the three teams set up ritual equipment in the Activities Cottage and also in the College Team house. The individual initiation of each member occupied the whole morning and until 3:00 P.M. Saturday afternoon. There were two interpretations held, one at 12:00 noon for the officers and the morning initiate, and another at 3:30 P.M. for the remainder of the new Sig Eps. Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr., officiated and was assisted by members of Pennsylvania Eta's degree team.

The installation banquet was held at the American Legion Home in Indiana. A delicious meal consisting of steak, vege-

tables, and all the trimmings was served to approximately 125 members and guests. James K. Stoner, faculty sponsor of the new chapter, acted as toastmaster. In a beguiling and unique manner he presented the guests and national officers, naming each person at the speakers' table to a position on a mythical football team. The honored guests and officers who spoke included: Dr. Willis E. Pratt, president of the college; Dr. Ralph E. Heiges, dean of instruction; Walter M. Whitmyre, dean of men; Frank J. Ruck, Jr., William W. Hindman Jr.; Russel Guard, alumnus of New Alpha; Raymond P. Phillips; and Joseph J. Dutkosky. Also in attendance were representatives of the other fraternities on I.S.T.C.'s campus. At last the toastmaster introduced Sigma Phi Epsilon's dynamic Grand Secretary Bill Hindman, who spoke



A side view of Fisher Auditorium, with the Waller Gymnasium in immediate background.



IFC representatives pose with Dean of Men Whitmyre. Back row, 4th and 6th from left, are Sig Eps Ed Teichert and Past President McGlaughlin.

The Local Group

Eta chapter of Phi Sigma Pi Fraternity was established at State Teachers College, Indiana, Pa., in 1929 as a national professional education fraternity, replacing Beta chapter of Omega Chi which was installed in 1909.

Since that time in 1929 the fraternity has progressed amazingly. In the spring semester of 1951 there was a decided discontent among the members. We felt we were too progressive a group to remain stagnant. Out of this unanimous feeling came the idea to terminate affiliation with Phi Sigma Pi and to seek brotherhood with a large national social fraternity. Correspondence with Sigma Phi Epsilon revealed their interest and enhanced ours. In the summer of 1951, the President Joe Caletri accompanied by Historian Rick Froggatt, made a trip to the central office in Richmond, Va. Tentative plans were discussed concerning an inspection of our fraternity chapter early in September. By this time we had disaffiliated with Phi Sigma Pi and were operating as Phi Sigma Local fraternity. In September, 1951, we were inspected, as originally discussed, by Assistant to the Grand Secretary Carl O. Petersen and Field Secretary

briefly and then presented the chapter charter to Joseph J. Caletri.

When the group had adjourned, an installation dance proceeded in recreation hall at the college. The hall was decorated in the fraternity colors of purple and red. A heroic replica of the official badge reposed in the center of the crests of the other fraternities on campus. Music was provided for the members of Sigma Phi Epsilon, their guests, and members of the four other fraternities and their guests by The Meltones, a local dance band.

On Sunday afternoon an orientation, the closing event of the week-end, was held in John S. Fisher Auditorium. The main purpose of the orientation was to familiarize the new chapter members with the procedure of a formal meeting. Frank J. Ruck Jr., officiated.



Jean R. McElhaney Hall houses the business, art, and home economics departments at Indiana State.

Bob Bonnell, after which we forwarded our petition to Sigma Phi Epsilon.

The varied interests of each individual member have made our chapter a good one. We sincerely hope the continuation of our interests in so many fields will provide the national fraternity another chapter of which she can be proud.

Our brothers are active in many different phases of college life. These include student council, football, basketball, wrestling, swimming, tennis, soccer, intramural sports, the college newspaper, the college yearbook, International Relations Club, masquers, choir, glee club, band, and many others.

Pennsylvania Xi has two, two-story frame houses located at 530-534 College Avenue, Indiana. One of the houses rooms 10 men, contains the lounge, library, and music room. The other house rooms 16 men and has a game room with ping-pong table, card tables, and a coke machine in the basement.

The College

State Teachers College, Indiana, Pa., which in 1927 was given the right to grant degrees was begun in 1875 as Indiana State Normal School. Since that meager beginning in 1875 the college has rapidly expanded into one of the finest teacher-training institutions in the nation.

The campus comprises 50 acres of land. In the center of campus is a historic oak grove, about which are grouped the main buildings, forming three sides of a quadrangle. The rest of the campus is beautified by a careful distribution of shrubs, flowers, and vines artistically arranged.

There are six courses of study offered at I.S.T.C. They are: secondary education, elementary education, home economics, business education, art education, and music education. All six lead to the degree of bachelor of science in education.

The college enrollment is approximately 1,550. The majority of these students live on campus in the various dormitories and cottages. A new men's dormitory is now under construction. Upon its completion, all the male students, except fraternity men,

New Chapters

(and the Men on the Cover)

■ Grand Secretary William W. Hindman, Jr. (middle), District Governor T. L. Sanderson (left), and President Tom Cauley are obviously pleased with the installation of the Fraternity's 112th chapter at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Cambridge, Mass. It was installed on February 23 as the fourth chapter in the state. Sanderson is the father of this new and exceptionally strong chapter, which has existed for a full three years as the Pegis Club. Full details of the installation will appear in the May JOURNAL.

■ The 111th chapter was installed at Arizona State, Tempe, Ariz., on February 16, as the Fraternity's first chapter in Arizona. National officials participating in the ceremonies included Grand President Luis J. Roberts, Grand Secretary Hindman, Junior Grand Marshal Paul B. Slater, former Grand President Robert L. Ryan, and Field Secretary Robert Bonnell. Pictures and story will appear in the May JOURNAL.

who now live in the cottages and in town will be required to live in the new dormitory.

Student activity fees provide much for the student body. It gives them a copy of the *Oak*, college yearbook; a free weekly newspaper known as the *Penn*; free admission to all athletic events, and brings to them through the Cultural Life Series such people as Charles Laughton, Dwight Cooke, Lowell Thomas, Jr., Barter Theatre of Virginia, and many others.

Each year the college entertains many conferences, institutes and clinics such as the annual wrestling clinic, the annual Music Education Symposium, and the Spiritual Enrichment Week meetings.

The other fraternities on campus are: Delta Sigma Chi and Delta Sigma Nu, both local fraternities, Phi Alpha Zeta, national teachers college fraternity, and Sigma Tau Gamma, junior member of N.I.C.

The sororities are Theta Sigma Upsilon, Phi Mu, Alpha Sigma Tau, Alpha Sigma Alpha, Sigma Sigma Sigma, Pi Kappa Sigma, Delta Sigma Epsilon, Beta Sigma Omicron, Beta Sigma Chi, Zeta Tau Alpha, and Phi Gamma Beta.



The author, right, with his chapter brother U. of Florida President J. Hillis Miller.

The Faith of A Great Soul

Collegians in search of religious principles suited to their own lives and problems might profitably study the high example of Abraham Lincoln.

By **THOMAS VADEN McCAUL**
GRAND CHAPLAIN

MANY of us in pursuing our college courses have sought patterns of high-minded human behavior as examples on which to build our own character.

On the twelfth day of last month we observed the birthday of a man whose great character has inspired many—Abraham Lincoln.

It should be noted that there is abundant evidence that President Lincoln was a man of profound and humble faith in God and in

Jesus Christ, our Savior. And this is what we wish to emphasize in these brief lines and with the purpose and hope of helping any of our brothers who may be troubled with doubt in these unhappy days.

"Lives of great men all remind us" that the supreme values in life are moral and spiritual—not material. And President Lincoln was a great man. "The things that are seen are temporal; but the things that are unseen are eternal." Much is being said and written in support of this truth; but it seems that many are ignoring it in practice. There is a strong, sinister and subtle influence in the world today which would destroy our faith in God, eternal values and Christianity, and we know its source and diabolical purpose. When these ungodly people try to shake our faith, we should find comfort in recalling that the truly great men and women of the ages, great in intellect and achievement, have been humble believers in and followers of God and of His Son, Jesus.

What have doubters ever done for the world? How much do we owe to believers? These are questions we would raise at this present time. What a man believes about Christianity and how he lives the Christian life are more important than what he may believe about political questions. We find

Mr. Lincoln in the darkest days of life seeking Divine Guidance and help. We find that he *did* experience a period of doubt at one time; but, if one will study his remarkable life, one will trace the growth of his faith through the passing years until at last it blazed forth like the faith of an old Hebrew prophet. To be sure he made a very great mistake in that, like so many others, he never united with a church; but he loved the church, he supported it and attended its services.

During his youth he attended regularly the services of the Primitive Baptist church in his community of which his parents were members; and he never lost faith in the virile gospel of those oldtime gospel preachers. It is quite evident, however, that he modified some of their teachings. And now we write just a word about President Lincoln's faith in God, Christ, the Bible, Prayer, and Immortality.

1. In his farewell speech when leaving Springfield for Washington, he referred to George Washington's dependence upon Divine Providence and said: "I feel that I cannot succeed without the same Divine Blessing which sustained him; and on the same Almighty Being I place myself for support. And I hope, my friends, that you will all pray that I may receive that Divine assistance without which I cannot succeed, and with which success is certain."

2. He tells us that he investigated all the arguments for and against the Bible just as a lawyer investigates testimony in a case in which he is deeply interested, and he declares that the argument in favor of the divine origin and inspiration of the Scriptures is unanswerable. To Joshua Speed he said: "I am profitably engaged in reading the Bible. Take all of this book on reason that you can and the balance on faith, and you will live and die a better man."

3. We might refer to many of his expressions about Jesus Christ. One should be sufficient: "I am nothing, but truth is everything. I know I am right because I know that liberty is right; for Christ teaches it, *And Christ is God.*"

4. Mr. Lincoln was a man of prayer and believed in the efficacy of prayer. Just before his inauguration in 1860 he wrote to

Judge Joseph Gillespie these words: "I have read on my knees the story of Gethsemane, where the Son of God prayed in vain that the cup of bitterness might pass from Him. I am in the garden of Gethsemane now, and my cup of bitterness is full and overflowing."

When his son Willie was dying, he said to the nurse: "I hope you will pray for him, and, if it is God's will, that he be spared. And also, pray for me; for I need the prayers of many." When his son had gone, he declared, "I will go to God with my sorrows."

5. He believed in immortality. During the last illness of his father, he wrote to his stepbrother: "I sincerely hope that Father may recover, but at all events, tell him to call upon and confide in our great, and good and merciful Maker, who will not turn away from him in any extremity. He notes the fall of the sparrow, and numbers the hairs of our heads, and He will not forget the dying man who puts his trust in Him. Say to him that if it be his lot to go now, he will soon have a joyful meeting with loved ones gone before, and where the rest of us, through the mercy of God, hope ere long to join them."

Such faith is worthy of our emulation.



Just 10 months after the Western Pacific Railroads' Red Cross blood procurement car, the "Charles O. Sweetwood," had been placed in service, a college student from Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, gave the 10,000th pint of blood collected by the car.

Fraternity Row

As Others See It

The American college fraternity owes its growth and strength to the idealism which its teachings and principles inspire in youth. Without this idealism it would be as sounding brass, an empty shell, a sound without meaning. All too often, though, do those who subscribe to its tenets in the idealism of college days forget and count them for naught in the marts of after life? Are they, too, like Judas who betrayed Christ for thirty pieces of silver?—JOHN D. SPARKS in the *Diary* of Alpha Kappa Psi.

Tip to convention delegates on how to help run a convention . . . to pieces: "Protest strenuously whenever a change is proposed. This way you can keep the sorority in the old-fashioned grooves you understand."—Sigma Kappa *Triangle*.

A love-is-important-too note reported in the *Fraternity Month* for April, 1951: "Sigma Chi likes good athletes. It thinks it is fine to have boys who can capture all kinds of offices and honors. But it really loves better than average students."

The college fraternity is no one-way street. It gives a man brotherhood, friends, close companionship, and numerous intangibles, but in return it makes definite demands such as good behavior, respect, loyalty, and an appreciable amount of scholarship. I soon discovered that if a man neglected his classwork he would hear from the fraternity long before any serious complaints were made by the faculty.—BELL-AMY PARTRIDGE, Theta Delta Chi.

Fraternities as a whole seem to enjoy better public relations than sororities; yet their philanthropies are admittedly negligible. Perhaps we have been so busy doing our good work—so busy perfecting ourselves—we forget that the general public is unenlightened as to these activities—The *Kappa Alpha Theta*.

Education should share more generously and positively in the development of moral and spiritual quality. I refer to the qualities of intellectual honesty, courage, sensitivity to decency and propriety of behavior, self-reliance, dependability, and industry. Spiritual qualities include a consciousness of one's relation to a universe in which noble ideas and lofty ideals are the creative forces in guaranteeing desirable human experience, and which are the dynamic

components of supernatural power. Education that leaves men and women destitute of such moral and spiritual values is itself incomplete and impoverished and fails utterly to create the type of human personality that can produce a good society.—GORDON S. WATKINS, provost of the U. of California at Riverside, in the *Angelos* of Kappa Delta.

Most unfavorable chapter publicity comes only because someone failed to recognize his responsibility to conduct himself in a manner worthy of his fraternity and his college. One member's public display of drunkenness, one automobile wreck, or a single street fight will injure the reputation of a whole chapter for many months.—*Tomahawk* of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Panhellenic Parsley

Alpha Tau Omega's first chapter to initiate 1,000 members was Georgia Tech.

The expense incurred by Beta Theta Pi for publishing its magazine for the year 1950-51 accounts for 36 per cent of the total operating expense of that fraternity.

One of the long-enduring presidents of a national fraternity is Phi Kappa Tau's Roland Maxwell currently in his 18th year.

Alpha Chi Rho has established an employees' welfare fund for the retirement and welfare of the employees of the national office.

Ohio University Phi Deltis upon returning from summer vacations staged a rush party production entitled "Take Care of My Little Boy."

Add to original social functions, the like of which no Sig Ep chapter ever conceived, the October 6 party of the Northwest Missouri State College chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority as reported in the *Triangle*: "We held our annual Toad Skip, at which occasion the other sororities were guests. Decorations consisted of small toads and three large toads, representing the three sororities."

But perhaps still one of the most original parties ever to take place on Sorority Row was reported by the De Paul University chapter of Phi Gamma Nu in 1934 as follows: "The party was a Bad Luck party. More conviviality for such a party could not have been created. The first selection on the program was the reading of *John Brown's Body*, by Josephine Verhelle; at the same time the room was darkened and various parts of John's body were passed around."

Sig Epic Achievement



Col. Robert J. Wood, Virginia Zeta (right) being decorated for outstanding services.

Aide to Ike

One of the men close to General Eisenhower in his mission in Europe in attempting to shape the defense forces of the Western World is Colonel Robert J. Wood, Virginia Zeta. He is head of the SHAPE secretariat in Paris and in effect a special assistant to General Alfred M. Gruenther, Ike's chief of staff.

After a year at Randolph-Macon, where he became a member of the Fraternity, Brother Wood entered West Point as a Congressional appointee. He served with General Mark Clark in Italy, where he was wounded, and in recent years has been on the staff of the War College in Washington.

Kudos

Basil O'Connor, New Hampshire Alpha, president of the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis, received the Medal of Merit in January, on his 60th birthday. It was awarded by President Truman for Basil O'Connor's service as head of the American Red Cross from 1944 to 1949.

The presentation dinner, which was held

at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, was attended by 1,400 persons, including leaders in law, medicine, science, business, industry, and education.

In a public address at Charleston, S.C., in November Brother O'Connor declared that rapid developments were being made in the production of a vaccine for polio. He said: "Researchers for the Foundation have found there are only three viruses which cause polio. The Foundation is now growing the viruses outside human tissue for the first time. We should finish this year."

Brig.-General Guy I. Rowe, Vermont Alpha, has retired from the United States Army and bought a farm in the Western North Carolina mountains near Asheville. His address is R.F.D., Weaverville, N.C.

Lieut.-General Franklin A. Hart, Alabama Alpha, Commandant of Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Va., was decorated with the United Daughters of the Confederacy World War II Cross of Military Service, at a meeting of the UDC General Convention at Asheville, N.C., November 8. Colonel Paul A. Rockwell, Virginia Epsilon, USAFRes, also received the award.

Promoted

Fred T. Wiggins, North Carolina Gamma, '25, was elevated to the office of vice-president and general salesmanager of the Universal Atlas Cement Company on December 1. He has been associated with the cement company for 25 years. He joined the company in 1926 at Birmingham and served in various capacities in the sales department until 1934, when he was appointed salesmanager of the Birmingham territory. In 1944, he became assistant to vice-president, general sales, in New York and, two years later was elected vice-president, sales, western region, Chicago. He was elected vice-president and assistant general sales manager in 1949.

He was born in Denmark, S.C. He attended The Citadel at Charleston for two years before entering Duke.

Bud Baer, Oklahoma Beta, '47, a charter member of his chapter, is scientific editor for the office of Scientific Research at the headquarters of the Air Research and Development Command, Baltimore, Md. His duties include editorship of a monthly research publication and the development of articles dealing with activities of the office of Scientific Research.

Hyle Burke, Nebraska Alpha, '32, has joined the legal department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in New York. Formerly an attorney for the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company at Omaha, he was once president of the Family Service of Omaha.

James A. Best, South Carolina Alpha, has been appointed managing editor of the Charleston, S.C. *News and Courier*. He was a member of the editorial staff of the Asheville, N.C., *Citizen* for about ten years and has served the Associated Press in Savannah, Columbia, Charlotte, Raleigh, Atlanta, Jacksonville, Richmond, and Columbus, Ohio.

J. Phillips Coleman, Virginia Eta, '26, has been made senior vice-president of the First and Merchants National Bank of Richmond, Va. He first joined the institution in 1938 after an association with the Bankers Trust Company of New York. He is a member of the advisory committee of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in the Richmond area.

Free Press

William P. Steven, Wisconsin Beta, '30, assistant executive editor of the Minneapolis *Star and Tribune*, told members of the Texas Press Association at their January meeting that President Truman's recent plan to censor and classify government documents was not in the interest of security and was a threat to freedom of the press.

Warning Texas newspapermen to fight



Atlas Cement Vice-president Wiggins.

censorship, he told them: "The President's plan actually endangers the right of the people to know. Do not mistake secrets for military strength. There is real military strength in democracy. In our business of communication, liberty is our life."

Country Editor

Campbell Osborn, D.C. Alpha, '15, after a long career in the service of the government, has recently returned to Tahlequah, Okla., where he has launched a new weekly newspaper known as the *Cherokee Spirit*.

Although he was trained as a practical printer, he had practiced law and was in the oil business in Tulsa for 10 years prior to 1940, when he went to Washington, D.C., to join the war effort under the War Production Board. He served in successive capacities of assistant chief of the chemical division, deputy director of the commodities bureau (chemicals, pulp, paper, printing, and publishing).

After the war he went to Japan where he served under General MacArthur for 18 months with the civilian rank equivalent to brigadier general. He headed the manufacturing branch which affected the restoration of Japan's printing and publishing industry.



WILSON GOULD
University of Minnesota

WILSON GOULD, 69 years young, Minnesota Alpha's oldest alumnus, is also one of the chapter's outstanding favorites. He attends as many Sig Ep functions as he possibly can, seldom missing a Monday night meeting.

Wilson was never an active but became an honorary member in 1916 when a local fraternity was granted a charter as Minnesota Alpha. In 1906 he joined the Bishop Gilbert Episcopal Society, an episcopal religious organization, which became Chi Rho Theta in 1911. Hopes for the establishment of other chapters of Chi Rho Theta were abandoned in 1916 because a large share of the potential fraternity material was scared off by religious association. Thus on April 15, 1916, Chi Rho Theta became Minnesota Alpha of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Wilson Gould was initiated.

A tall, thin, well-tailored figure, Wilson moved to Minneapolis in 1906, but never married. Born at Michigan City, Ind., in 1883, he came to Minnesota with his family as a small boy. "On the campus I was especially active as a Tri Delt escort," Wilson says laughingly, "but I lost out in the end."

Wilson Gould is in church work now. Although he was an accountant and worked for the State Auditor until 1916 and for a farm mortgage concern from that year until 1926, he has been engaged as office and financial secretary of Saint Mark's Episcopal Church in Minneapolis. Soon he will retire, he says, and will be able to spend more time on his hobbies. One of his early ambitions was to become a concert pianist. Besides his avid interest in Sig Ep, music and hiking are his favorites.

—BOB JOHNSON

After this, he served for nine months on the staff of the Economic Cooperation Administration at Shanghai, China, handling the Marshall Plan 50-million-dollar petroleum program.

He is the author of a college textbook in economics and has published and edited trade journals.

Prophecy

Senator Harry F. Byrd, Virginia Alpha, in an address in December before the American Farm Bureau Federation gave it as his opinion that Russia plans to conduct against us a war of economic attrition for years to come, rather than an all-out war now. "She can bleed us white before the supreme test comes."

Life in a recent issue in a leading editorial entitled "The Byrd Budget" commented on the Sig Ep Senator's budget message, in part:

"Senator Byrd started preaching economy long before it was so urgent; he used to be dismissed as a Cato-like bore. But now his ruthlessness is the key to our fiscal salvation. The heartless man would even cut the school lunch program. So what would *you* cut? Byrd at least has a complete economy budget which he can defend in detail and which nobody else in Congress or out has yet tried to match.

"As he says, 'Cutting the federal budget is not easy. It represents the biggest financial operation on earth.' His only tool is an inadequate staff of four; nobody knows better than Byrd that Congress must reform its whole budget and appropriations machinery if it is ever to regain real power over the public purse. Nevertheless Byrd and his staff supply something that even the best congressional machinery could not replace: an experienced and passionate concern for the value of the dollar.

"One way Byrd measures the budget is this: 'It takes the federal government exactly one second to spend all the federal taxes paid by a man, with a wife and two children, earning \$12,000 a year.' Under such circumstances Senator Byrd looks good."

With the Alumni



Memphis alumni dinner. From left: District Governor and Mrs. P. B. Nations, Mr. and Mrs. James Wilbanks, Mr. and Mrs. John Eaton, Prof. and Mrs. Enoch Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Weston Morgan, Tennessee Beta president Bernard Hill and date, Mr. and Mrs. Justin Pitts.

★ GROUP DOINGS ★

Columbus

An alumni founders' day banquet was held on February 2 at the Fort Hayes Hotel to commemorate the founding of the chapter at Ohio State 43 years ago. The program included initiation of the chapter's new members and an evening banquet.

Memphis

The 13th annual Memphis alumni dinner in December broke all previous attendance records with 149 Sig Eps and guests present. The event was held in the Bamboo Room of the Claridge Hotel. Guests danced in the Balinese Room to the music of a nationally known band.

Five chapters were represented: Mississippi, Mississippi State, Tennessee, Memphis, and Alabama. District Governor P. B. Nations served as general chairman, while John Eaton handled entertainment, James Wilbanks the prizes, and Justin Pitts and Joe Harris the finances. Professor Enoch Mitchell of Memphis State was an

ideal toastmaster. One of the entertainment highlights was the choral program of Tennessee Beta songsters.

Kansas City

At the December meeting of the Kansas City Alumni Chapter, the annual election of officers showed the unanimous feeling of the group that younger men should be given reins in order to attract larger attendance by recent graduates. The "young Turks" swept into office on the tide for putting youthful vigor at the helm were Richard J. Southall, president; William Neal, vice-president and program chairman; and Howard James, recording secretary and attendance chairman. All three are Kansas Alphans. Retained in the position of treasurer, which he has held for many years, was A. D. Elliott, Missouri Alpha, '29. The retiring president, Herb Roush, Missouri Alpha, '33, was made corresponding secretary and JOURNAL reporter.

The new officers immediately held a luncheon meeting for stimulating attendance particularly by younger alumni, for presentation at the Janu-

ary meeting. The group meets each third Tuesday of the month for business and a program of entertainment followed by cards.

—HERB ROUSH

Philadelphia

Founder-Grand Secretary Emeritus William L. Phillips was the guest of honor at the Founders' Day dinner of the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter. He spoke of the building of the Fraternity.

New officers for 1952 were elected as follows: President, Don Clark, Pennsylvania Mu; vice-president, Lee Ramsdell, Texas Alpha; secretary, Edgar Waite, Jr., Pennsylvania Delta; treasurer, Charles Shubert, Pennsylvania Delta.

—E. A. WAITE, JR.

★ BRIEFS ★

Kansas

Bill Fisher, '48, in his first year as head coach of football at the Alta Vista, Kan., High School piloted his team to the conference championship.

Bob Johnson, '40, former cage star at his alma mater, is coach of basketball at the high school at Mission, Kan.



Pfc. Maynard O. Edwards (left), North Carolina Zeta, '49, and Pfc. Keith W. McGinnis, Penn. Lambda, at Ft. Slocum, N.Y.

Tennessee

H. E. Copeland, '13, is associated with the O. S. Kelly Oil Company, Springfield, Ohio. Until 1946 he had worked for a plant at Memphis, Tenn., which designed, installed, and operated mechanized foundries and did research in foundry metallurgy.

E. H. Alley, '30, has served as end football coach at Vanderbilt University for the past six years. He was head of physical training for the Army Specialized Training Program in 1943 and 1944.

★ VITAL DATA ★

Married

"When Love speaks, the voice of all the gods makes heaven drowsy with the harmony."

—SHAKESPEARE

Lt. Clarence B. Kirley, Alabama Alpha, '49, and Mary Jane Harrison, on October 14, 1951, in Kinshighway Christian Church, Shreveport, La.; with chapter brother Walter Robinson as best man and chapter brother George Meadows as an usher.

James Arnold Bryant, Alabama Beta, '48, and Sarah Alice Cottrell, on October 13, 1951, in the First Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala.

Joseph A. Liuzzo, Florida Alpha, '49, and Elaine Grammer, on November 13, 1951, at Buena Park, Calif.

Warren Kammerer, Jr., Illinois Alpha, '51, and Cora Reynolds, U. or Illinois Delta Zeta, on March 31, 1951; with chapter brothers Harry Fritz and Wayne Breese as ushers.

Meade Hanger, Illinois Beta, and Mary Stuart Smith, on December 26, 1951, at Ames, Iowa.

Agustin (Gus the Peon) Zorrilla, Indiana Alpha, '48, and Yvonne Margarita Vargas, on December 10, 1951, in Coahuila, Mexico.

Clark Marriman, Kansas Gamma, and Ollie Hartshorn, KU Chi Omega, on February 29, 1952, at Chicago, Ill.

Vernon Sutton, Kansas Gamma, and Cynthia McKee, KU Delta Gamma, on February 17, 1952, at Kansas City, Mo.

William H. Klinefelter, Jr., Maryland Alpha, '52, and Bonnie Towner, William and Mary co-ed, on September 8, 1951, at Baltimore, Md.

John C. Hass, Maryland Alpha, '52, and Sandra Schlehr, on November 22, 1951, in Trinity Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md.

George M. Stershic, Jr., Maryland Alpha, '53, and Jackie Canuel, on August 11, 1951, in St. Philips and James Church, Baltimore, Md.

Arthur Lundell, Montana Alpha, and Beverly Wolff, on December 29, 1951.

B. Wayne Severance, New York Alpha, '49, and June Alyce Wilmsen, on May 5, 1951.

David R. Christman, Ohio Gamma, '47, and Harriet Halper, onetime Hunter College co-ed, on January 12, 1952, in New York City.

Charles Allen Carson, Tennessee Alpha, '48, and Jacqueline Phillips, on December 22, 1951, in the First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.

Warren Leigh, Vermont Gamma, comptroller of his chapter, and Kathryn Ford, on January 27, 1951, at Freeport, L.I., N.Y.

Lt. William Sharrett, West Virginia Gamma, and Mae Bell Tilley, on December 28, 1951, in the Johnson Memorial Methodist Church, Huntington, W.Va.

Lt. (jg) George E. Morgan, Jr., Wisconsin Alpha, '48, graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy in 1949, and Dolores J. Prydzial, on December 22, 1951, at Chicago, Ill.

Died

"A life of action and danger moderates the dread of death."
—HAZLITT

★ Lt. Jerry Krohn, USMC, California Alpha, '50, during September, 1951, in Korea; the first member of his chapter to give his life in this war.

James Robert Campbell, California Beta, house manager of his chapter, on October 19, 1951, in a traffic accident.

John R. Morris, Colorado Alpha; no facts reported other than his death.

Everett A. Hellmuth, District of Columbia Alpha, '18, Alexandria, Va., realtor, former councilman of that city, charter member of the Kiwanis Club and its secretary-treasurer for 23 years, director and former treasurer of the German Co-operative Building and Loan Association, a past president of the Alexandria Historical Society, Army aviator in World War I and a former commander of Post 24 of the American Legion; on January 10, 1952, in his home in Alexandria; of a heart attack.

Thomas C. Bailie, Jr., Georgia Alpha, insurance executive and former member of the city council of Augusta, Ga.; on November 18, 1951, in his home city of Augusta; of a heart ailment.

Edmund J. Clerget, Indiana Alpha, on October 30, 1951, at Indianapolis, Ind.

Mychyle Johnson, Indiana Beta, '34; no facts reported other than his death.

★ Larry Mitchell, New Mexico Alpha pledge in 1950, one of the first collegians to be called up by the Marine Corps; on Columbus Day, 1951; killed in action in Korea's central sector.

William J. Cole, New York Alpha, '44, on November 16, 1951, near Utica, N.Y., in a traffic accident while en route to Syracuse to attend his chapter's 45th anniversary celebration.

★ Lt. Worth Henley Barber, North Carolina Beta, '49, on Christmas Day, 1949, during a combat mission in Korea.



Died. Worth H. Barber, N.C. Beta

Charles Budd Forcey, M.D., Pennsylvania Beta, '10, onetime member of the house of delegates of the American Medical Association, on October 26, 1951, in Miller Hospital, St. Paul, Minn.

Donald Thomas, Pennsylvania Gamma, on August 13, 1951, only two days after his marriage to Nancy Heck; by drowning; while on their honeymoon in Bermuda.

Warren R. Witz, Pennsylvania Nu, chapter adviser of Pennsylvania Gamma, associate professor in the department of biological science at the University of Pittsburgh and widely known as a leader of field study groups, veteran of World War I; on November 18, 1951, in Presbyterian Hospital, Mount Lebanon, Pa.; of a heart attack.

Callom B. Jones, Sr., Virginia Alpha, '09, onetime U.S. assistant district attorney for the eastern district of Virginia, a former mayor pro tem of the city of Ashland, early supporter of the Anti-Saloon League, attorney for the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers; second lieutenant in World War I, onetime versatile athlete for his alma mater; on December 5, 1951; at his home in Richmond, Va.

Ronald K. Lause, Wisconsin Beta, '51, on October 4, 1951, at Dayton, Ohio.

★ ★ *Liberty without fraternity becomes license; and equality without fraternity becomes irresponsibility.*

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Good of the Order

How to Build Prize-winning Floats

The Massachusetts Sig Eps offer a lesson for other chapters;
the men of Lehigh and Carroll also set forth helpful lessons.

Massachusetts men begin construction on a float after plans are worked out in detail.

By GEORGE NICKLESS

WHEN we see photos of the great many prize-winning floats of our chapters in the JOURNAL, we are very proud of this achievement. But not many of us stop to think that we could do our chapters as a whole a real service—and do it in an interesting fashion, too—if we could teach chapters that have never won any float prizes how to build floats that will rate at the top of the competition.

Of course, first of all, it is the idea that counts. It is better to spend extra time and effort at the idea and planning stage than it is to start off with the first idea that occurs and then end up with just an ordinary float or house decoration.

It is easy to see that the floats that win prizes have certain things about them that the also-rans do not have. First of all, a novel idea is better than an old one. It is better if it is ingenious and can command the attention of all than if it is ordinary. No matter how good the workmanship is and how beautifully and painstakingly the physical object is put into form and finished, the float doesn't have much chance to win if it is not outstanding in its original conception.

Massachusetts Alpha has used a process for



Massachusetts men begin construction on a float after plans are worked out in detail.

Indian motif is obvious in the float as it appeared in competition and won prize.



several years now which enables them to build prize-winners. We make our floats of papier-mâché. Flour and water are mixed in a pot until the consistency is somewhat thicker than water. At this stage ordinary newspapers are dipped into in the solution.

Application is the most important phase in the process. For large construction, such as a float, build a framework of wood which gives an outline of a statue, for instance. Over this is laid chickenwire (local hardware has it) to make a better outline of the figure. On this chickenwire is laid the three or four layers of paper dipped in flour and water—the result is a papier-mâché product of strong construction. The paste should dry in half a day, after which paint can be applied to bring out the perfection needed.

We have built papier-mâché elephant heads used in an I.F.C. skit, a huge Buddha used in a skit, a turtle covering a car, and the Indian shown in the accompanying pictures. Heads can bang together for weeks to get an idea for a float, and so forth, but papier-mâché is always the answer for its cheap construction.

Hints from Carroll

During the season of '50-51, the Sig Eps at Carroll College have won four out of the five trophies in interfraternity competition and all school functions. Since last September the chapter has been awarded the two first-place trophies for Homecoming float and the Snow Sculpture. The Sig Eps are the leaders, by a large margin, in the race for the possession of the Supremacy Cup which is awarded to the fraternity that mounts the highest number of points in interfraternity competition in sports.

For two consecutive years, the Wisconsin Gammas have produced first-place Homecoming floats and snow sculpturings. It seems that our secret of success lies in the size of the project. The project itself should be very different and constructed as neatly as conditions permit.

Here are a few helpful hints to a prize-winning project:

Choose able chairman and co-chairman.

Find out theme or name of football team and plan a slogan; example, "Rocket Over the Rams."

Demand at least one idea from both pledges and actives alike.

Compile suggestions or use one good idea—ask around the house to see if the men like the proposal—reach an agreement.

Find suitable place to construct your float.

Arrange to get large wagon or truck on which to build the float the larger the better.

Get all the supplies you think you will need. Carroll men used a framework of wood surrounded by chicken wire, then filled the holes with colored napkins (better appearance)—



Tennessee decoration also took first.

open napkin stuffed in hole with four corners out.

Don't think that your float is out of proportion with the rest if it is exceptionally large, for this attracts attention and adds points.

If you are allowed to use cars in the parade, decorate them, but they must tie in with your slogan (don't clutter the parade).

Try to get position near the center or the last half of the parade—this will keep your float fresh in the minds of the judges.

Try to have a Sig Ep on the Homecoming Committee—this will assure ease in helpful arrangements, parade, etc.

Snow Sculpture Suggestions

Select capable chairman and co-chairman.

Demand idea from both pledges and actives.

Select a winter scene.

Make a large pile of snow, watering it as you pile the snow to assure firmness which makes carving easier.

Don't use false props—wood, wire, paint, etc.

Make it big—here too size counts.

A well-made figure adds to the appearance and will add points.

—BOB MORAVA

Lehigh Also Shows How

It is fitting that Lehigh fraternities should produce fine Homecoming decorations. The University's annual Turkey-day football classic with Lafayette is the oldest football rivalry in the U.S., and in commemoration of this game, each year all the fraternities erect large outdoor displays depicting the glorious triumph of the Brown and White over Lafayette.

This year, Sig Ep beat all the competition (29 groups), won the highly prized gold-lacquered twenty-two inch high trophy for the best house decoration.

How did Sig Eps win the prize? Obviously an original idea was necessary. Everyone racked his brains, but nothing unusual was produced. Then, one weekend while Bob Endriss was sitting with his girl listening to "The Flight of the Bumblebee," he thought of something—why



Carroll's 1951 prize-winning Homecoming float. These boys know how to make 'em.

not have a Lehigh bee stinging the Lafayette leopard? This basic idea was expanded and proved to be the successful starting point of the display.

Working out the mechanical details for all the movements to be performed by the bee and leopard was done by Bob Slaw, the display chairman, and Frank Campagna. After drawings had been made of the proposed project, Bob, Frank, and John Kerch journeyed to Philadelphia, where they built a speed reduction system from scrap metal at the construction shop of Bob's father. In the meantime, Al

Turpin constructed a brown and white bee while Andy Knecht made a ten-foot high leopard.

All the brothers and pledges helped build a frame on the roof of the house to support the display. The assembly was next, and the judging was scheduled within a few hours. Everyone worked feverishly against time, but the judges came around on their inspection tour while work was still in progress. Chances looked poor. Then switches were thrown and things began to happen. Oddly enough the things that took place were the things that were expected. Everything worked!

The completed display consisted of a Lehigh bee stinging the Lafayette leopard on the seat of the pants. Whenever the bee, which was flying in circles, stung the leopard, the leopard jumped three feet. In addition to this motion, the bee's wings flapped and its lighted eyes and stinger blinked on and off. The background music was provided by Harry James' trumpet solo of "The Flight of the Bumblebee." All this for fifteen dollars and two weeks labor!

Articles covering the display were published in many of the town and university publications, giving our chapter a glamorous introduction to the freshmen who were to be rushed soon. Winning the display also attracted a large number of alumni to the house to celebrate.

Organizing an Interchapter Formal

By CHARLES HEDENSTAD, University of Colorado

THE idea of an interchapter formal should appeal to social chairmen who are hard pressed for funds or ideas to promote the big dance. Any two or more chapters close enough can combine their efforts and funds in staging an event more enjoyable and successful than otherwise and also less expensive.

A fine opportunity to improve friendships with the other chapters is also provided, and that is a by-product almost as valuable as the main result. Too often we strive to cement relations with too much water and not enough down-to-earth sincerity, and the resultant bond is frequently unworthy of the term.

Since Colorado chapters have co-sponsored this type of dance annually in the past—that is, an interchapter formal—we can advise those who have had no experience in the organization of such a program.

The importance of a preliminary organizational meeting cannot be overstressed. Social committee heads, and also the comptrollers if possible, should get together at a central place,

where ideas can be formulated and a plan worked out and approved. Letters and long-distance telephone calls are generally inadequate at first but may be usefully employed later.

One of the first steps at such a meeting is the election of a chairman. A budget figure within the means of the chapters should be set and the expenses properly set forth on a pro rata basis.

The calendar should also be closely observed. There is no point in selecting a date for the dance if examinations or other events might possibly conflict.

A further factor is the choice of a hall. It should be accessible and it should be sufficiently large, but not too large, to accommodate the estimated attendants.

Social committee chairmen of the various chapters should make certain that their own members stand behind the plan before carrying their own private enthusiasm too far. After all, the members must find favor in the plan, for it is they who must do much of the work, and of

course they are expected to attend also.

Sometimes it is well to discuss plans thoroughly at the respective business meetings of the chapters involved. Then if all is agreeable written acceptance of the plan can be presented to the general chairman.

Various subcommittees must be set up. These may be formed on a volunteer basis and should include band (to be handled by the chapter nearest the hall), business (to assure prompt collections and payment of bills), bids (to handle printing of tickets and procurement of programs), invitations (for guests list work and invitations to chaperons, etc.), decorations (which usually includes refreshments), and entertainment (for the intermission program).

The Colorado chapters still encounter problems in arranging their interchapter formals; however, our experience has stood us in good stead and difficulties are minor. The important thing is to make the plans thoroughly and workable. Then make sure that the membership of all the chapters is in back of the project. If all this is done it is likely that your interchapter dance will be a sparkling success long remembered.

Our Ex-Official Family

Past Grand President Whitney H. Eastman, New Hampshire Alpha, '10, has been selected for listing in the next edition of *Who's Who in America*.

Official Family

Grand President Luis J. Roberts, California Beta, has up and moved again—from San Diego, back to Los Angeles, the setting of his alma mater and Cal Beta. His new address is 1532 South Alameda.

At the November meeting of the National Interfraternity Conference in Virginia, National Scholarship Chairman U. G. Dubach was elected a member of the executive committee of the College Fraternity Scholarship Officers Association.

Scholarship Chairman in a recent letter on the subject of Scholarship to all District Governors included the following message he had received from Arkansas Alpha: "We just finally made up our minds that we weren't doing what the Fraternity deserves; therefore, we, in one semester, stepped out of bottom ranks up into the top ranks. I think, after all, it's largely a chapter determining whether or not it's going to do the job."

Field Secretary Bob Bonnell spent a rough Christmas. On his itinerary to the West Coast, he was overtaken with a virus infection, which landed him in the Stanford Hospital in San

Francisco, where he spent the entire holiday season and some time besides. He was able to resume his itinerary the first part of February when he visited the Utah State chapter.

Central Office Alumni

Former Assistant to the Grand Secretary Raymond C. McCron, Pennsylvania Delta, '43, is still forwarding his career in the Army. Called to active duty in November, 1950, as a second lieutenant, and stationed first at Fort Eustis and then at Fort Story, Va., he is now at Fort Harrison, Ind., where he is taking a five-month course in the Finance School in internal auditing. He is a first lieutenant. Upon the completion of his course late in March, he is expected to return to Fort George Meade, Md. He reports that thus far he has registered straight A's in his course.

Former Sig Ep Field Secretary Vic Vanaman, West Virginia Gamma, now a trainee for L. G. Balfour, gives active chapter fraternity leaders an extra reason to develop a workman-like attitude toward scholastics in pledges and actives alike. He reports: "This year because of the national situation regarding mobilization fraternities, whose pledges fail to satisfactorily pursue their course of instruction, are going to be blamed for such in many instances by the parents and friends of the failing pledges. This, of course, will place the fraternity in precarious position inasmuch as it will be extremely difficult to reconcile parents and friends to believing that it was not the fraternity's fault. Fraternities should be cognizant of the fact that now (if ever) is the critical time and opportunity to really make a lot of friends and stage a campaign against the thinking that 'fraternities are houses where only those men with money and poor scholarship hang out.' This can be done only by seeing that every pledge has the opportunity and necessary aid scholastically."

The District System

Springtime is also district convention time. The Central Office has just issued a reminder to the chapters and governors of districts that now is the time to plan meetings and the more time taken to plan them the more effective they are likely to be.

This year chapters participating in the conferences are urged to stress harder than ever the techniques of getting and maintaining adequate membership.

As this JOURNAL goes to press, word is received of the appointment of Jack M. Crudup, Oklahoma Gamma, '50, as assistant district governor in the Texas-Oklahoma area. George McCoy is governor.



At Worcester Christmas party for orphans, Assistant to the Grand Secretary Frank J. Ruck, Jr., himself an expectant father one of these days (the JOURNAL bets it will be a boy), is flanked by the boys and their hosts. Sanderson sits at Frank's right.

On the Campus

Sig Eps Bring Christmas to Orphans

Drury, Norwich, North Carolina State, Bowling Green, Worcester Tech, Thiel, Temple, Johns Hopkins, and still others are represented.

By THE HISTORIANS

Illinois Tech Sig Eps James Springer (left) and Richard Wardell pose with trio of community house orphans whom they entertained at a Christmas party.



On December 10, Drury Sig Eps forfeited their regular Monday night meeting to give a party for the children of the Polia Cottage of Burge Hospital. Santa Claus, played by Phil Miller, was well received. A plan was followed of adopting a child by each member for the evening. Toys, dolls, games and candy Christmas tree favors were given to the children by Santa. Refreshments were ice cream and Christmas cookies, provided by the mothers' club. W. L. Groves, father of James Groves, furnished the candy Christmas tree favors. Those present included members of the mothers' club, some of the wives of the men, and a few of the fathers.

Vermont Alpha has set a precedent at Norwich University in sponsoring a Christmas party for the children of the town. Committee chairman and house president Kenny Richardson,

approached the local grammar school in order to get a good representation of children who would enjoy the affair and also cement relations with the township. It was the first year that such a project had been attempted by a chapter.

The committee scheduled peanut races and Christmas carol singing in which the children participated with gusto. After the ice had been broken, the children were ushered into the dining room and treated to chicken and ice cream.

After the dinner, the children ransacked the house in search of peanuts. The one finding the most won an electric football game. Immediately afterward, Santa Claus, impersonated by Bart Sassi of Barre, came in after a long trip over the Green Mountains and gave out the presents, two per person, which ranged from footballs to mechanical racers and told Christmas stories. The members enjoyed them more than the children.

Members on the committee included Paul Tourigny, Lewiston, house manager; Paul Cunningham, Belmont, Mass.; Dick Lovis, Bedford, Mass.; and Bill Sullivan from Lawrence, Mass., ex-house manager.

—BEN REID

On January 22, North Carolina State Sig Eps gave a party for the boys of the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh. Thirty-five little gentlemen, aging from eight to eleven, came barging into the house and immediately began conversing about everything from automobiles and records, to movies and basketball players.

We first gave them a buffet supper, then each boy was paired off with a brother who took him to the State—Loyola basketball game.

They enjoyed the evening, discovering a bit about fraternity life and a lot about basketball! It's a toss up who had the better time—the members or the boys. We have received an invitation from them to visit them at the orphanage and see the Lone Ranger on their new television set.

—ALAN A. LOWE

Bowling Green Sig Eps gave a Christmas party for a group of children afflicted with cerebral palsy on December 15. Our Santa accompanied us to the University Clinic, where the children are being treated, and left presents for all. Games were played and carols sung, after which ice cream and cake were served.

—ROGER DAY

On December 14, Temple Sig Eps held their fourth annual Christmas party for the Methodist Orphanage, Belmont and Monument Aves., Philadelphia. It has become a tradition for the children in the orphanage to write to Santa Claus and to include the list of toys that they would like to have for Christmas. The letter is sent to the Sig Ep house where it is read before everyone. It gives the men the inspiration needed to show the boys a Merry Christmas. Pledges solicit local businessmen for donations; and, with these an active dressed as Santa Claus, and a Christmas tree, the Sig Eps were able to give the best Christmas party that the 70 some children have had in the past four years.

—DEAN YOUNG

Worcester Tech Sig Eps entertained 15 boys from Lincoln Square Boys' Club at a Christmas party on December 20. The boys were brought to the house and given a turkey supper and also participated in such games as hide and seek, leap frog, and ping-pong.

Early in December, the house with a heart entertained the children of St. Paul's Children's Home in Greenville at a Christmas party. At this annual affair, the Sig Eps and their sweethearts played the role of parents to some child. During the evening, each set of parents entertained their assigned child.

As is our annual custom, Maryland Alpha sponsored a Christmas party for a worthy children's home in the Baltimore area. With Dave

Wives' and mothers' club at Kentucky give the men at Alpha a real Christmas party.





Johns Hopkins' Bill Trumbull.

Hesse donning beard and pillows to play Santa Claus, and with Flory Davis handling the arrangements, we were grateful to be able to bring a bit of the holiday spirit to some 40 or 50 youngsters of the Children's Hospital School. In addition, Charlie Gerwig with the support of all the chapter put together a huge basket of food for a very needy city family.

The fraternity itself was also on the receiving end, for our Mothers' Club decorated the house for us in the spirit of the season. Having taken over the house for an evening, they proceeded to brighten up the living and dining rooms with gay ribbon, pine boughs, and wreaths.

★ BIG MEN ★

William Trumbull

Maryland Alpha's Bill Trumbull, a 20-year-old business student from Englewood, N.J., has served on the Student Council and this year was elected to its vice-presidency. He also serves as president of the Canterbury Club (Episcopal students' religious organization), heads the Bookstore Commission, runs the meal plan at the fraternity house, and teaches skating in his spare time to help defray college expenses. He has also at one time or another served as secretary of the campus "Y," been a Glee Club member, and played on the freshman tennis team. As a holder of a trustee's scholarship with the goal of maintaining his "B" average, Bill has limited himself to fraternity sports. A Naval Reservist, he is hopeful to continue his education at a good graduate business school, preferably Harvard.

Alex Riasanovsky

Oregon Beta has a dishwasher who is a Rhodes scholar. He is Alex Riasanovsky, a Sig Ep since 1948 and now taking graduate work in philosophy at Oregon. Alex was one of four students selected in a competitive district oral examination in December to attend Oxford University in England on a Rhodes scholarship.

Alex, who washes dishes for spending money, was following a family custom in winning the award. His brother, Nicholas, now teaching history at the University of Iowa, won a Rhodes scholarship in 1945.

A member of Phi Beta Kappa and Scabbard and Blade, national military honorary, Alex served as house scholarship chairman last year. He played in the line on the house football team this fall.

Born in Harbin, Manchuria, he attended school in China until reaching the fifth grade when his parents moved to Eugene where he finished his elementary and high school education. Alex served for 18 months with the 188th parachute infantry during World War II and was stationed in Japan.

In his leisure time he enjoys reading science fiction (he supplies house short story writers with fantastic plots), plays chess, bridge, and basketball.

Alex was the only candidate from the University of Oregon for a Rhodes scholarship. He was among two chosen from the state and one of the four winners in a field of ten in the district examinations. The scholarship will pay all his expenses while studying in England.

He plans to study in the honors school in the "Modern Greats" program offered at Oxford. The scholarship will allow him to attend Oxford for two or three years according to the quality of his work and personal preference.

Alex's mother is the author of the novel, *The Family*, published under the name of Nina Fedorova, and winner of an *Atlantic Monthly* magazine story prize of \$10,000. She has also written another novel, *The Children*, and five or six short stories.

His father, V. A. Riasanovsky, has written books on Mongolian law and Chinese law and recently completed a work entitled *A Survey of Russian Culture*, written in Russian.

—LARRY HOBART

★ REPORTS ★

Alabama

Elections were held during the third week in January for positions on the executive council, as follows: president, Alfred Saliba, of Dothan, who will enter his second term as president; vice-president, Lamar Miller, Dothan; corresponding secretary, Tommy McLaughlin, Fair-

field; recording secretary, Eddie Ezell, Balamy; treasurer, Ronnie Walker, Anniston; and, historian, Turner Hasty, Linden. Ed Moseley of Thomaston was elected plegemaster. Two of the appointed offices, social chairman and rush chairman, are now being filled by Jimmy Pinkston, Alexandria, Va., and Chuck Conner, Roanoke, Va., respectively.

The rushing program for next semester, which will take place from February 5 to 9, will include smokers, dinners, and an informal dance at the house. The entire chapter manpower will be divided into four groups, each of which will be given a list of an equal number of men who are to be contacted. The group which succeeds in pledging the largest number of men will be given some sort of informal party at the expense of the other three groups. We hope that this system will prove a huge success, especially since we will lose approximately one-third of our chapter through the graduations of this June and August.

Recently pledged: Dan Kimbrough, Alexander City.

During the week of December 10 to 15, Alabama Sig Eps canvassed the campus for a Queen of Hearts for 1952. Sororities and girls' dormitories began to send in names and pictures of the girl they wanted to sponsor for the Sig Ep Queen. A buffet supper was held in the middle of the week, at which time all the nominees were invited to the house for a "get acquainted" party. Each of the candidates was presented with a gold compact in the shape of a heart bearing the fraternity crest. When time for the final selection arrived, we found ourselves with a big job on our hands. Never have you seen such a group of charming lovelies! At the formal dance the following Saturday night, Beth Sanderson of Meridian, Miss., was called forward amid applause and



Alabama's queen Beth Sanderson poses with president of chapter Al Saliba.

smiles of admiration to receive the trophy, bouquet of red roses, and the sweetheart pin from Al Saliba.

The backyard of the chapter house has been leveled off and plans have been completed for the following: a concrete patio for informal dances and parties during the late spring and early fall; a volleyball and basketball court; a driveway and parking lot for the members' cars; and a barbecue pit and benches.

New additions for the interior of the house include plans for the purchase of a television

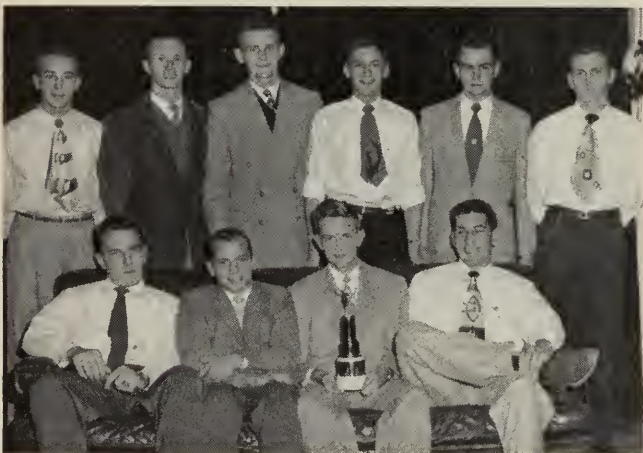


Auburn initiates: bottom row, left to right—Worley, Hal Hester, Morton, Creel, East. Second row—Thompson, Kizer, Cox. Third row—Hester, Brown, Rucks, Smith, Ward. Date: January 20.

Auburn's outgoing president Wendell DeWitt congratulates his successor at Alabama Alpha—Bob White (with glasses).



Auburn winners of O Δ K Cake Race, front row, from left: Munroe, Weinstein, Sparks, Wilson. Back row: Bullock, Conner, McNider, Kizer, Solomon, Gorman. Sparks holds trophy.



Everything's Fine At Auburn

INDUSTRIAL GRID CHAMPS. Sigma Phi Epsilon, Alabama Alpha chapter at Auburn, became intramural football champions of Alabama when they defeated Sigma Alpha Epsilon from the University, 14-7. Members of the team, left to right, are: Bottom row, George Bellos, Camden, S.C.; Bill Hart, coach, Birmingham, holding the cup won on the campus; Dick McMurray, Birmingham, holding the cup won from the University; Tom Shelton, Oneonta. Second row, Robert Williams, Birmingham; Dave Brown, Birmingham; Jack Barker, Gadsden; Hugh Spurlock, Birmingham; Bill Payne, Gadsden. Third row, Robert Barham, Birmingham; Robert Vandiver, Birmingham; Jack Cox, Russellville; Kenneth Burks, Birmingham; Wren Munroe, Talladega; Jim Pursell, Talladega; Byrd Farmer, Dothan; Wendell DeWitt, Thomasville, and John Claunch, Russellville.



set. To aid in such permanent improvements as these, and for the addition of white columns on the front and a recreational basement for our new house, Al Saliba, president, has initiated a "dollar a month club" among our alumni. We feel certain that the men who have left us will want some part in helping to beautify the "Home with the Heart" at the University of Alabama.

—HARRY GENE CAUSEY

Auburn

Alabama Alpha's football team became state interfraternity football champions by defeating the S.A.E. fraternity of the University of Alabama 14-12. This makes two out of three years that they have held this title, last year they were beaten in the finals of the play-offs. The Sig Eps breezed through their league play with comfortable margins over each team played but lost the first game of the play-offs which resulted in a 6-0 defeat at the hands of Delta Sigma Pi. Later the Sig Eps beat the Delta Sigs two games in a row in the finals to win the championship on the campus.

The U. of A.S.A.E.'s proved no match for the Sig Eps' big forward wall and the passing of Dick McMurry as again we won the state championship on a rain-drenched field. Boasting one of the larger teams on the campus, the line averaged about 200 and the backfield averaged about 190. (See cut)

Auburn Sig Eps will celebrate their annual Queen of Hearts Ball February 15 in the Blue Room of the Clement Hotel in Opelika, Ala.

Names and sponsoring sororities of the contestants are: Betty Capel, Alpha Delta Pi; Peggy Hines, Alpha Gamma Delta; Jean Thomas, Alpha Omega Pi; Jeanette Robinson, Chi Omega; Monica Cleveland, Delta Zeta; Patsy Jones, Kappa Delta; Ollie Mae Holbrook, Phi Mu; Gail Griffin, Theta Upsilon; Betty Duncan; Zeta Tau Alpha.

The Queen and her sorority will each be awarded a trophy at the ball. [Announcement will be made in the May JOURNAL.—ED.] The Queen's Trophy will be hers permanently, however, the sorority's trophy rotates from year to year.

The program for the week-end includes, the Queen of Hearts Ball Friday evening, lunch at the house Saturday noon, a hayride and picnic supper at Lake Chewacla Saturday afternoon, house dance Saturday night, and lunch at the house Sunday which will conclude the Sigma Phi Epsilon's Valentine week-end.

The chapter's new president, Bob White, a senior in business administration from Birmingham, succeeds Wendell DeWitt. Under Wendell, the chapter made astounding bounds up the ladder of success, and we are now recognized as one of the strongest social fraternities and one of the top political fraternities.

—JOHN CLAUNCH

Baker

New pledges: Rex Allen, Don Parker Conrad Braun, Bob Nill, Jim Greer, Loren Wilds, Walter Brownsword, and Al Marks. Holdover pledges recently initiated: Jerry Moss, Jerry Burgess, and George Shore.

Eleven Sig Eps played on last season's football team: Bud Sloop, 220-pound tackle on the All-conference team; John Zorn, 195-pound center listed as honorable mention. Starters for Baker: Sloop, tackle; Larry Rowe, tackle; John Zorn, center; Palmer Mai, left half; Jim Sheridan, right half. Other standouts were Connie Braun, end; John Martin, tackle; Gary Tucker, full; Bob Nill, LB, Jim Greer, and Rolla Showalter. Rolla Showalter, 225-pound tackle, was awarded a cup as the outstanding non-letterman.

Early in the year, we celebrated with our annual Pledge Party. At this event, the pledges take charge, and build a huge log pyre, which each year towers some 20 or 25 feet in the air; and they present a skit around the fire for the guests.

In intramurals, the Sig Ep softball team, battling down to the wire, finished in third position; and in volleyball, the "A" team finished in second place, and the "B" team garnered the third slot. In total intramural standing, we rank third, behind the Zeta Chi local fraternity, and the Kappa Sigs.

Another of our annual Christmas "Sweetheart Balls" was held, and a combo from Kansas City furnished the music. Alpha Chi Omega Dottie Newcom, was crowned Sweetheart.

A rush dinner was held during the Christmas holidays, where 16 rushing prospects became acquainted with Sig Ep. Highlights of the evening were an informal speech on Baker and rushing by Ernie Anselmi, plus a comedy act presented by Len Overturf and Stan Johnson.

These dinners are followed by rush weekends at available opportunity.

Auburn Queen of Hearts candidates, bottom row, from left, Betty Capel, Ann Wilson, Ollie Mae Holbrook, Peggy Hines. Second row: Gail Griffin, Monica Cleveland, Jeanette Robinson, and Betty Duncan. Not in photo: Jean Thomas, Alpha Omega Pi. Ball was held on February 14.



Basketball starting lineup includes Len Over-
turf, Bud Elliott, and Bob Merrill. Others are
Warren Nevins, Connie Braun, and Gary
Tucker. Kenny Sterns is currently listed as
eighth in scoring in the NAIB and first in the
conference.

—STAN JOHNSON

Boston

Pledges: Roy Alonzo, Joseph Barnes, John
Bisson, William Brooks, Henry Burr, John
Curley, Charles Ferranti, Ralph Garmon, John
Gonis, John Heald, John Iodice, Albert Mana-
zer, Robert Meserve, Herbert Philpott, Edward
Sturtevant, Mervyn Taylor, Earnest Tsouros,
Frank Vita.

On December 8, a Mediterranean costume
party was held at the house. The committee was
composed of brothers of Mediterranean descent,
and chairmanned by Joe Spada. Costume styling
ranged from a Don Jose in *Carmen*, to an
Arabian sheik.

The second annual Christmas orphan party
occurred Sunday, December 16. Fifteen boys
from Roxbury First Church were entertained
at dinner and at a Christmas party with the
brothers during the afternoon.

The basketball team is currently tied for first
place in the IFC basketball league with an
undefeated record. Dean Sargent and Mickey
Toperzer are members of the varsity hockey and
Ken Bishop of the track team.

Bowling Green

Initiates since last JOURNAL: Carmen Pegnato,
Al Jones, Howard Mizer, Dan Baker.

Colorado

The interchapter formal last year was sup-
ported by five chapters, all of the four Colorado
chapters and Wyoming Alpha participating.
Inclement weather prevented some from attend-
ing but those who did enjoyed the music and
the atmosphere of the Silver Glade in Denver's
Cosmopolitan Hotel. The weekend's events got
off to a flying start with a pre-prandial assembly
and reached even greater heights on top of the
Park Lane Hotel where Colorado's delegation
met for dinner.

In an attempt to compensate for that unfor-
tunate Black Tuesday when we lost both the
football and water polo championship, the
basketball team is turning in a splendid perfor-
mance, with prexy Al Watson outstanding.

New officers: President, Al Watson; vice-
president, Clayton Brown; Secretary, Tex Mc-
Donald; historian, Charlie Hedenstead; Cor-
responding Secretary, Fred Friedman; Comp-
troller, Harley Williams; chaplain Dave Mc-
Cutchan.

Now after the temporary suspension of social

activities during finals and vacations, exchange
dinners and other events are in progress with
sororities on the hill. Sadie Hawkins is in the
distance.

—CHARLIE HEDENSTAD

Drake

New officers: Austin Doyle, re-elected presi-
dent; James Covey, vice-president; James Miller,
historian; Ronald Crammer, recording secretary;
Walter White, corresponding secretary; Edward
Hills, senior marshal; Edward Masa, junior
marshal; George Huber, guide; Stan Hulchizer,
guard; James Ganshow chaplain.

—WALTER W. WHITE

Drury

On January 11, the S. S. *Sig Ep* docked at the
chapter house where members and their dates
climbed aboard in full costume for a waterfront
party. Sailors, pirates, French mademoiselles,
waitresses, and numerous other waterfront
characters spent the evening dancing. Katie
Arnold and Bob Malone were given the prize
for the best costumes. After refreshments at
intermission, the "Sig Ep Players" presented two
skits, "Muggsie Takes a Wife" and an impres-
sion of Kirk Douglas in the movie, *The Champ-
ion*. The skits were written by Bill Haymes.
Pledges and actives taking art in the skits were
James Goves, Jack Vernon, Leroy Summers,
Louis Saad, Jim Witherspoon, Leroy Sprowls,
Phil Miller, Dave Hanson, Bob Cartwright, and
Bill Haymes.

The mother's club give the fraternity a dinner
one evening each month.

As a project of the pledges this semester a
map of the U.S. was placed in a picture frame
behind the glass and the locations of all the
fraternity houses in the U.S. were then punched
out of the paper map. The back of the picture
frame was then boxed and light bulbs were
evenly spaced behind the paper map in the
boxed in back of the picture frame. With the
lights out one can easily spot any location of a
Sig Ep organization. The pledge class of the fra-
ternity had the highest grade standing average
on the campus this mid-semester.

Emporia

Second semester rush week will begin Janu-
ary 28. The activities of this week will be
under the direction of our rush committee Tom
Curry, Bob Hughes, and Carl Hoffmans.

The I.F.C., under the chairmanship of Ned
L. Hoover, our chapter president, has com-
pletely revised the rushing rules. Also, there
has been discussion in the I.F.C. meeting for
the abandonment of Hell Week by all fraterni-
ties on the campus. Hell Week would be re-
placed by a Help Week or a Work Week.

Our recently ended Hell Week was actually a Work Week for our pledges. They were required to work individually and as a group on the house.

Our annual Christmas Dinner was held December 16 at the house. School officials, sponsors, and patrons were guests. The usual tradition of buying toys and then distributing them to the needy children of Emporia was continued.

—PHILIP REED

Florida

Manpower: Bill Holmes, Clearwater, and Richard Stein, Glens Falls, N.Y., were initiated December 12.

—BILL MOREDOCK

Florida Southern

Manpower: 28 actives, 12 pledges. Recent initiate: Frank Szabo, Farrell, Pa.

—BILL PETERSON

Illinois Tech

On December 14, Illinois Beta held its first annual Queen of Hearts ball at one of Chicago's best hotels, the Conrad Hilton. The 55 couples and the guests of honor had a fine evening of dancing to the music of Perry Foto's Orchestra.

Guests of honor were Dean of Students and Mrs. Clarence Deakins, Assistant Dean of Engineering and Mrs. Ralph G. Owens (he is



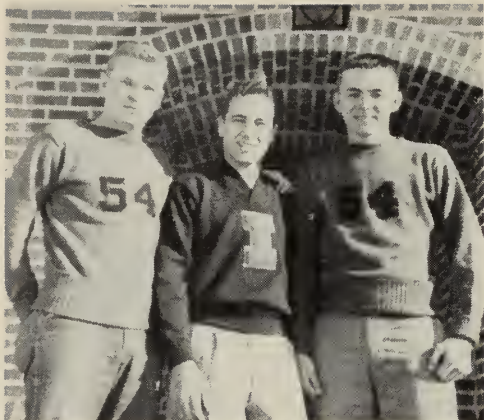
Delaware's Ralph Gesell, who represented his campus IFC at 1951 N.I.C. meeting.

a chapter faculty adviser), District Governor and Mrs. Walter Edwards, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Schmidtke (he is also a faculty adviser). Illinois Beta alumni and members of the Chicago Alumni Chapter were also present.

The guests of honor, as judges, selected Lorraine Lanka as Queen of Hearts. She was escorted by Len Murphy. Penny Maduros, escorted by Pledge Chris Andros, and Jen



Queen of Hearts ball of Illinois Tech at Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.



Iowa Beta cage stars, from left: Howard Johnson, Sam Long, Howard Franks.

Gimbert, escorted by Jack Delaney, were members of the Queen's Court.

Ted Rigas, who made the arrangements for the dance and District Governor Edwards presented gifts to the Queen and her court.

The chapter manpower is as follows: 42 actives, 12 pledges, with 5 men graduating. They are Bert Neighbour, Charles Neugebauer, Bruno Buszkiewicz, Lon Williams, and Guenther Joseph. The new semester will start in February when we hope to pledge 15 men.

—ROBERT C. KELSEY

Iowa State

As a result of the 1951 Conclave the chapter has elected Lynn Habben as chaplain. His duties consist mostly of encouraging the brothers to attend church on Sunday. As a result of the Religion-in-Life Week here at Iowa State, Brother Habben suggested this new chapter function.

Each year the second week of winter quarter is observed as Religion-in-life Week at Iowa State College. There are meetings, services, and convocations during the entire week. During an Embers Service at our house we participated in a reverent hour of brotherhood.

We have now adopted a weekly devotion period on Wednesday evenings when we gather in the living-room and enjoy a few reverent minutes together. We sing a well-known hymn and the chaplain or one of the brothers gives an appropriate talk. We close with a few moments of silent prayer followed by the Lord's Prayer.

The Iowa Beta house is represented on the varsity basketball team by four players: Sam Long, Howard Franks, Howard Johnson, and Clare Russie. Long, who is a junior, plays as guard and sees the most action.

—JACK LEAMAN

Johns Hopkins

The pre-holiday activity was climaxed by our Christmas party at which the tradition of decorating our tree was again faithfully observed. New Year's Eve a "wild and wooly" affair planned by Social Chairman Chuck Lewis turned out a great success.

On the sports front two brothers have brought honor to Maryland Alpha and the University. Jerry Williamson, stellar halfback on the soccer team, was given honorable mention on the All-American Soccer Team and now is busy with Olympic team tryouts. Bob Erlandson, a varsity fencing team member, recently won the state title in the novice division of the Amateur Fencer's League of America.

—LAWRENCE R. WALZ

Kansas

Manpower: New men pledged since September—Robert L. Smith, Kansas City, Kan.; Don Sight, Kansas City, Mo.; and Wendell Sullivan, Wichita, Kan.

Men graduating January 31: John Wealen and Clarence Chambers.

—DOUG FENITY, JR.

Lehigh

New officers were elected in December, as follows: Edward Blount, president; Joseph Napolitano, vice-president; John Kerch, Secretary; Robert Slaw, historian; Lester Inglis,



Kentucky's Ralph Shell won award as the chapter's most active active. He is house manager, assistant pledgemaster, and serves on several house committees.

guard; Richard Barrie, senior marshal; Jim Murray, junior marshal; Peter Babcock, chaplain; Frank Campagna, corresponding secretary.

Pledged in the fall: Caspar Kaffke, Silver Spring, Md.; William Johnson, Lancaster; Robert Moyer, Bethlehem; and T. Gram Ralph, Danielson, Conn.

—ROBERT A. SLAW

Louisville

Manpower: Randy Bowman, Earl Hittinger, Don Stewart, and Melvin Sublett were recently pledged.

Led by Tom Costello, leading scorer, and Cecil Meyers, our intramural basketball team is in front of all competition for the fifth straight year.

At a recent meeting our alumni association elected the following officers: Harold Finley, president; Vince Lococo, secretary; and Art Zubrod, treasurer.

Social chairmen John Neblett and Dan Burke are planning a series of parties with sororities. A joint fraternity party with Delta Upsilon was held and another planned with Kappa Alpha.

Marshall

Effective pledging, good dances and parties, and a high rating among the fraternities here at Marshall gave us a satisfactory initial semester.

With half of the basketball season gone in intramural sports, we stand in third place in the ratings. Jim Hundley has transferred to another college.

Our winter formal was held at the Spring Valley Country Club in Huntington December 7 with Charles Carper as emcee. Music was provided by Howard Jennings and Orchestra. Favors were small identification bracelets with ΣΦΕ engraved on them. Blonde Betsy Knight was chosen Sig Ep Queen and was attended by pledge Joe Vinson of St. Albans, W. Va.

James Pfanstiel of South Charleston, W. Va., was initiated before leaving for the Navy.

January 14, Melvin G. Scarlett, journalism instructor, became an honorary member.

Through graduation this semester we will lose five members: Howard Cochran, Moundsville; Harold Grace, Jr., Charleston; George Jewell, Valls Creek; Ronald Payne, Dunbar; Charles Ratcliff, Bluefield.

—ERNIE SOTER

Maryland

Manpower: 52 actives; 8 pledges. New actives: K. O'Brien, Tom Porter, George McLain, Walt Woodhead, Bill Thomas, Jim Boyer.

Officers elected to replace transfers and graduates: president, Jim Miller; secretary, Ralph



Kentucky's Larry Myers makes this face so he can win campus Ugly Man Contest, which he did. He is a senior majoring in econ.

Hamaker; guard, Bill Kline; senior marshal, Bob Mauger.

The chapter is comfortably settled in its new home at 7403 Hopkins Avenue, College Park. Much work went into repairing the house such as replastering the walls, interior decorating and laying pavement from the house to the street. All of this work was done by the active chapter. In addition, new furniture was bought. The chapter has also adopted the tradition of the red door at the entrance of the house.

Maryland's newly occupied chapter house in College Park is at 7403 Hopkins Ave.





Guests at Minnesota's Pigalle Party held at Len Nadasdy's November, 1951.

About a year ago, this chapter adopted the idea of a "help week" in the community. This year the idea became part of the IFC's program as proposed by this chapter. The chapter itself, has adopted a "self help week" in place of "hell week." This means improving the appearance of the property. The only thing to be retained will be the goat court. Many members who have gone through it themselves have expressed the opinion that the momentary sense of losing all they had expected to find in a fraternity has given them a deeper appreciation of their fraternity.

Our president, Jim Miller, served as chairman of the Homecoming committee for the University. The fraternity backed him completely and also won second place in the float competition.

Don Smith, Chuck Williams, and Ralph Beal, who are officers of their pledge class, gave a party for the officers of the pledge classes of the fraternities on campus. The purpose of this party was to create better understanding between the fraternities. The active chapter has entertained other fraternities in the past including the Alpha Tau Omegas and the Phi Sigma Kappas at stag functions.

—EUGENE A. BOSAY

Minnesota

Minnesota Alpha maintains a high proportion of men in extracurricular activities: Denny Brown, board of publications; Jim Trunk, president of the education board; social service counsel alumni relations board, *Gopher* progressive treasurer; Len Nadasdy, state organizer for Eisenhower movement, president of the Midwest Federation of College Clubs, past president of the U of M Republican Club, member of the executive board for the Young Republican League; Bob Johnson, board of publications, secretary of Sigma Delta Chi; Pat Collins, junior secretary at large for the University of Minnesota Republican Club; Roger Carlson, Beta Gamma Sigma; Dick Jacobson, social service council, Gray Friars, president of business board; Art Olson, chairman of educa-

tion conference, elementary men's club president; Jim Tonsager, Psi Chi.

New officers are Denny Brown, president; Jerry Sullivan, vice-president; Jerry Maley, historian; Rog Lee, secretary. Dick Jacobson continues as comptroller.

We are entered in bowling and basketball for the winter intramural athletic season.

We dropped from first to fourth in scholarship among the 35 academic fraternities on campus.

A successful pigalle party was held at Len Nadasdy's home in November, 1951. There was dancing, roulette, cards, a song-fest, entertainment by the Kappa Delta's. Our Queen of Hearts party will be held in February with a Valentine Day theme.

—JERRY MALEY

Monmouth

We won first place with our Homecoming float and also had the best Homecoming stunt and house decorations.

Herm Santucci, Tom Hoffman, Bob Guelle, and Al Girard helped to make the Monmouth Scots a fighting football team. Al Girard and Fred Nimtze are both regulars on the varsity basketball team.

Our open houses have been successful. Our fall formal had for its theme "Autumn Leaves." Bob Main was in charge of decorations and Freddy Andrews, social chairman, correlated the whole affair. We gave leather picture cases for favors. Bronze crests were on the outside cover.

The annual pledge open house was a "hobo convention." The house was fixed up like the inside of a boxcar and all the furniture was moved out of the front rooms. A non-smelling garbage dump was procured and clothing of various shapes and sizes was strewn over the house with gay abandon.

Six or seven actives pitched in and washed and painted the entire kitchen and laid a new floor of rubber tile. The lower part of the kitchen is now tiled.

Another first for Illinois Gamma was the Christmas house decorations, produced by Tom Hoffman and Bob Winter. At our annual Smorgasbord just before Christmas, we had 60 needy second-graders from Monmouth to the house for the Smorgasbord. Each couple took care of a child and also bought a gift. We served for an hour and a half and used up five 15-pound turkeys plus a very large baked salmon and all the trimmings.

We were the only organization in Monmouth to go over the 90 per cent mark in blood donations. Forty of our members gave blood. The Red Cross plans to present a plaque to us in a special convocation service in the college chapel.

Our intramural football team had an undefeated season. Players: Tom Henry, who also captained the team; Freddy Andrews, Jerry

McDonald, Jim Hands, Don Craske, and Bill Gaffney. The volleyball team was defeated by the Tekes twice and took third place. It was a bit of hard luck we had to take. In the all-round standing for the intramural trophy Sig Ep is third behind the leader by 40 points. The Sig Ep basketball team lost to the varsity B squad by a seven-point margin. We have lost the basketball trophy only once since we have been on campus.

Last spring we won the Kiwanis award for scholarship for the fourth time.

New officers: Bob Guelle, president; Ed Walker, vice-president; Tom Hodge, secretary; Bob Winter, historian; Tom Henry, guard; Don Pearson, senior marshal; Al Girard, junior marshal; and Don Keller, chaplain. The appointed offices are held by Tom Hoffman, house manager; Bob Winter, social chairman; Bill Kennedy, music director; Art Benedetto, steward; Stan Graham, scholarship chairman; Tom Henry, pledge trainer; Joe Carbonari, Comptroller.

Kenny Gould and Tom Hoffman have just returned from the Marines for the second time.

—BOB WINTER

Montana

Manpower: 34 actives, 14 pledges.

Howard Sandford, active, Tom Johnson, Gene Martello, and Gil Pantea, pledges, have gone into the service.

During rushing so far, under the leadership of Jake Hoffman, the following men have been pledged: Dick Bennett, Dale Christman, Dick Dewalt, Ray Halubka, Mat Mattson, Carl Rohnke, Phil Stanley, Gerhard Struck, Dale Wing, Joor Bol, Harry Burnell, Carl Westby.

We now have 22 fellows living in the house and expect to have more in the spring.

Recently initiated: Charles D. Dean, Billings; David W. Larom, Missoula; Ralph E. Hershberger, Tiffin, Ohio; and Charles E. Hoyt, Havre.

David W. Larom was voted outstanding pledge of the quarter.

The Sig Ep Wives' and Mothers' Club have given us a table and chairs for the kitchen.

Recent house repairs include putting a level cement floor in the basement and painting of the pantry and kitchen. The basement is to be made into a chapter room.

Clifford Wordal, president of the University Ski Club, recently won the Holter trophy at the Belmont Ski Club meet at Helena.

Religious Emphasis Week was observed with talks by Father Cavanagh, dean of Carroll College, Helena, and Rabbi Kelson, of Butte.

The Queen of Hearts Ball honored Marjorie Rutherford, Kappa Alpha Theta of Butte, as queen, Lloyd Hogan, District XVI Governor, placed the crown on her head.

Three firesides, two dessert dances, and one

exchange dinner were held during the quarter.

We lost the interfraternity scholarship cup by a few whiskers but are all out to regain possession of it this quarter.

Recently pledged into Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national honorary music fraternity, were Harold J. Boyd, Browning and Paul O. Rohnke, Helena. New pledges of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, are Harold J. Boyd and Dale Wing, Popular.

Gene Hoyt has been elected campus yell king.

Plans are being made for the Bowery Ball.

—HAROLD J. BOYD

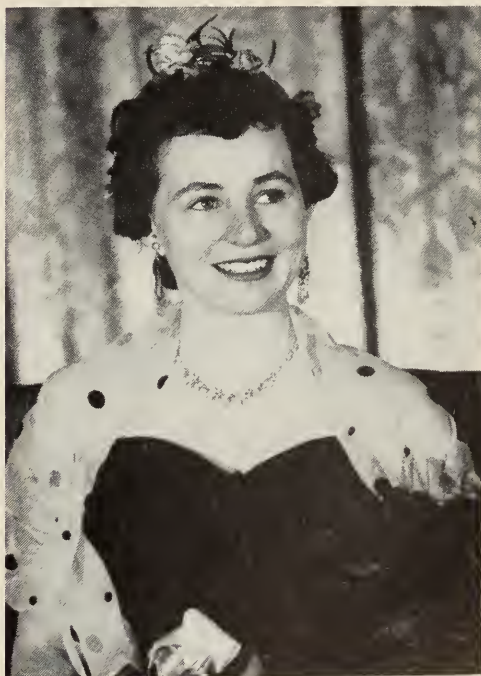
Nebraska

Nebraska Alpha won the interfraternity football championship and the All-University Intramural crown. Sig Ep copped second place in the IM free throw tournament, also participating in golf and wrestling.

Nebraska's only centers on the basketball are members of Sig Ep. Charles Ott of Lincoln, Ill., and Bill Johnson of Lincoln, Ill., are playing the pivot spot. Pat Mallette, a sophomore of Hooper, is also playing for the Scarlet quintet.

New pledges: Art Srb, Lincoln; and John Hamilton, Pierre, S.D.

The Nebraska Alpha Sig Ep Mothers' Club presented the chapter with a mural painting for the living room of the chapter house for a Christmas present. The mothers also gave the



Montana queen Marjorie Rutherford.

house a magazine rack for the card room.

A Christmas stag party was held in the house December 19. Names were drawn and gifts and appropriate verses for the gifts were exchanged by the men at the party.

—GORDON A. MORPHEW

N.Y.U.

A number of alumni from the armed forces were guests at the chapter's annual Christmas party preceding the holidays. Frank Demaio, now in the Air Forces, and George Price, Marine Corps, were among them.

—DOUG DEANE

Norwich

A prized possession of Vermont Alpha is the massive trophy belonging to the winner of the Fraternity Intramural Athletic League. It is an over-all sport trophy, given on a point system. The house which wins the trophy three times is given permanent possession, and we have taken it two out of the three years it has been available. To date we have won the football title, and are currently leading the basketball league with an undefeated record.

Interfraternity sports is a major item in Campus life. House athletes watch their physical condition with the trophy in their mind as a goal, and if they miss training they are reprimanded by Athletic Director Bill Farnan of Hudson Falls, N.Y., a member of the varsity basketball squad.

The basketball league's high scorer is Charlie O'Donnell, of Poughkeepsie, N.Y. This year's team boasts Chuck Pulsford, all-conference end, Jim Frazer and Bob Noble, both of Hudson Falls, N.Y., and Dick Wasiewski, Haverhill, Mass.

Participants in football included Kenny Richardson; Johnny Merian, varsity basketball captain; Jim Frazer; Joe Forand; Stu Birch; Bill Farnan; Jack Dolphin; and Brian Donnelly.

Baseball, track, and hockey round out the athletic calendar for 1951-52 and in each sport, Sig Ep is a potential powerhouse. Their League winning baseball team is returning intact while the championship track team has lost only one of its members.

—BEN REID

Ohio Northern

Burke Gardner, who has served in the capacity of alumni treasurer for 25 years, has retired. His successor in the post that he has filled so superbly for a generation is Robert Bowden. The alumni board has confirmed the new appointment. Brother Bowden also lives in Ada.

A campaign for funds is now under way. The drive is sponsored by the alumni board, with

Dale Pugh, alumni member, in charge of the campaign.

Initiated January 27: James Jeffery, Urbana; George Foltz, Salem; Richard Roose, Leetonia; Larry Mackey, East Palestine; John Hanley, Youngstown, and Jack Korner, Bucyrus.

The winter formal on January 19 was well attended and alumni were well represented.

The house basement is being completely redecorated. A new ceiling, new furniture, as well as a new color scheme will improve our recreational facilities.

—FRANK S. SHURTZ

Oregon

University of Oregon administrators raised Oregon Beta's house quota last month in recognition of the chapter's expanding membership. The former limit of 44 men living in was raised to 48.

Recent pledges: Dick Newstrum, '53; Paul Keefe, '55; John Gregor, '55; Dick Graham, '53; Alan Oppliger, '54; Bud Tycer, '54; John Fraunfelder, '43; Craig Canfield, '54; Jim Dudley, '53; and Walt Brown, '53.

The house now has 20 per cent more men living in than last year during the same period. Much credit can be given to the rushing efforts of Oregon State transfer Bob Gray and Rush Chairman Burr Boutwell. The two men through close contact with the director of men's affairs and use of a card index file containing pertinent information on all prospective rushees brought out a fine program of informal rushing.

Jim Burcell returned from Korean waters this term to take up his studies in architecture. Jim, the first University of Oregon student to return to the campus after being called into service, completed a 16-month tour of duty on a destroyer and traveled some 50,000 miles. He also served in the Navy during World War II.

Oregon Beta ranked second scholastically among 21 fraternities on the campus following announcement of fall term grade averages.

—LARRY HOBART

Penn State

September 24 initiations: Eugene K. Morley, Warren; Robert P. Licht, Lancaster; Edward S. Twitchell, Erie; Richard R. McDonough, Newell; Donald H. Jacoby, Jr., Lansdowne; Leonard J. Bartek, Berwick. John T. Podrasky, Lackawanna, was initiated January 14, 1952. Initiated on November 19, 1951: Orie S. Mann, Ridgway; Robert Walker, Pittsburgh; Don Shirey, Pittsburgh; Tom Orr, Pittsburgh.

New pledges: Forrest A. Blakesley, Jr., Vine-land, N.J.; Leon Slavin, Newtown Square; Giles W. Schutte, Erie; Ralph A. Frew, New Castle; Ted C. Soens, Allison Park; Pat J. Ferrito, Erie; Norman J. Wilkie, Philadelphia; William S. McCalmont, Philadelphia; George O. Bonnert, Ridgway; Ronald F. Smith, Erie; Charles W.

Collom, Jr., Philadelphia; Harold T. Godfrey, Drexel Hill; Gene P. Finks, Berwick.

On last season's football varsity squad Sig Ep was represented by Len Bartek, guard, and John Podrasky, center. In December, Len was a regular in the North-South football game. Also on the varsity football squad, are two spring pledges: Ted Shattuck, half-back, and Jim Dooley, center. An outstanding player, Ted was listed as the highest ground-gainer at the end of the season, and was given honorable mention for All-Eastern team.

The active chapter went to the quarter-finals in the interfraternity intramural swimming meet, with Bob Fitzgerald as the backbone of the team.

On December 17, 1951, new house officers were elected and new chairmen appointed: president, Lon Dillman; vice-president, Robert Walker; secretary, Bill Pierami; treasurer, Kay Finley; historian, Dick McDonough; alumni secretary, Don Shirey. Among the chairmen we have Don Jacoby, social chairman and pledge master; and Sam Licht, rushing chairman.

—RICHARD R. McDONOUGH

Reusselaer

The house bowling team scored first place in the interfraternity competition. Pape, Kingman, Millis, and Stowers were the key men.

Twelve brothers, each of whom has an interest in classical music, have combined their efforts in the making of a new cabinet for storing records and magazines.

Dan Helbeck became the new house comptroller upon the graduation of ex-comptroller, Paul Collins, in January.

Once a month, two members of the alumni board have been invited for dinner. We hope that this will bring a more understanding and more closer relationship between the alumni board and the active chapter members. The alumni members also can see the improvements to be done around the house and also find how the house is progressing in its outside activities.

—NORMAN F. BAIRD

Richmond

The chapter led the entire campus in number of men pledged during Rush Week. In all 21 accepted bids. The new pledges are: Dwight Cumbee, Scranton, Pa.; Kenneth Hodder, London, England; Luther Dickens, Hillsville; Rex Adams, Jr., Hilton Village; Richard M. Keith, Fredericksburg; Roger Bulley, Fredericksburg; John Gardon, Buckingham; Dewey Monger, Roanoke; Hunter Spencer, Hampton; Jack Hall, Sandston; William F. Peach, Jr., Newport News; James Wilson, Newport News; Madison Price, Newport News; Ted Masters, Newport News; Joseph M. Gardner, Hillsville; John Booth, Danville; Philip J. Armstrong, Gerald

A. Vaughan, Tom Hundley, Charles Hynes, and George Parsons, all of Richmond.

Ward Harkrader, pledgemaster, instituted the plan of creating a special committee composed entirely of actives who are influential in all phases of school life to guide, advise and, if necessary, help pledges in extracurricular activities of their liking.

The chapter in February welcomed back to school Brothers Pinneo, Brown, and Armstrong. Recently initiated were: Howell Lewis, of Hampton; and Ray Shepherd and Kenneth Bryan of Richmond.

—WILLIAM W. CHAFFIN

Rutgers

The Rutgers Booster Club's first annual presentation of the Spirit Trophy went to the Rutgers Sig Eps. Thus our long sustained season of cheering and urging on the gridiron exploits of the Scarlet leather luggers paid off.

Led by Wally Foy, the house was well represented at all pep rallies and games both in numbers and in voice. Wally, our zealous house manager, was the author of many original and impressive ideas that served to put our house in the forefront during all events.

Gaily cheering Sig Eps marched to games en masse behind the bear-coated Wally.

Wally's gem of the season was during the Lehigh game. Somehow he acquired several pigeons. These he kept cooped at the house for a week preceding the game feeding and befriending them.

On the appointed Saturday, he transported them to the Stadium, his plan being to release said pigeons (on whose legs he had tied scarlet streamers) one each time Rutgers scored. Unfortunately Rutgers scored but once so only one bird was sprung. Instead of flying over the town to proclaim the much-awaited news of the scoring, Sir Pigeon winged low over the spectators giving us all not a few anxious moments. At any rate, it was a good idea, and the effort itself was commendable. Thus we received the Spirit Trophy and also the Chanticleer costume which Sig Ep is privileged to wear at all games next season, for which bigger and better pigeons, probably are planned.

—VICTOR NERONE

San Diego

The California Delta Mothers' Club of San Diego is beginning its third year. Meetings are held every month. Plans for the year include card party, rummage sale, and other money-making projects to help the chapter.

Recently elected officers are: president, Mrs. H. F. Schmidt; vice-president, Mrs. William Ward; secretary, Mrs. Harry Hickethier; treasurer, Mrs. Samuel Pedler; liaison officer, Mrs. Stanley Mackie.



Santa Barbara cage champs, from left, bottom: Hardy, Johnson, Lightfoot, Campbell, and Estes. Top row: McFarlane, Juday, Bortz, Maloney, and Goerner.

Santa Barbara

December highlighted a Parisian party held in "La sewer de SPE maison" or the basement of the fraternity house. About 150 people, including rushees and dates came dressed in slinky Parisian garb. The basement was decorated with overhanging fish nets, Parisian travel posters, small tables, etc., with only candles to illuminate the musty catacombs. Our traditional Christmas party was also held at the house in December. Dinner was served at the El Cortijo Chuck Wagon and then everyone came to the house for dancing, etc., to McNamara's combo band. Ed Monreal, dressed as Santa, gave the girls gifts of miniature mugs. Members and pledges exchanged gifts.

Our basketball team, which has placed second for the last three years, won both the intramural and the AMS cage trophies. It was undefeated in 10 straight.

The house will lose about 10 men this semester, some to other parts of the university, several to the service. Chuck Gray, chemistry major, is the only one graduating. We are up against decreasing enrollment at the College.

—ALAN GILLMORE

Washington State Sig Ep volleyball champs, from left: first row: Stocker, Sandburg, Sullivan, Graham. Back row: Siehl, John, Cranston, Jacobson. Sullivan holds trophy.



Temple

Officers elected January 14: president, William Stafford; vice-president, Albert Molitar; recording secretary, William Dohan; corresponding secretary, Fred Rogers; senior marshal, John Smith; junior marshal, Lucian De Meo; Guard, Lenard Barbegalo. Herbert Collins was reserved for the appointment as comptroller and Dean Young was re-elected historian.

The active chapter has a manpower of 35 members and a formal initiation is to be held on February 11 which will see at least five more good men added to the roll. —DEAN YOUNG

Thiel

December initiations: John Vishnia, Alan Warneth, Joe Shoenesky, William Slack, Richard Anderson, Al Ruffner, and John McCallip. On January 5, five members of the initiation team of our chapter traveled to Indiana State Teachers College to assist in the initiation of 60 members of the Phi Sigma local fraternity into Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Tulsa

Oklahoma Gamma initiated six men the last of February: Dan Tucker, Jerry Dunn, Bob Day, Bill Bell, Charles Knopp, and Frank DeLarzelere.

The annual Sig Ep Moonshiners Ball was held at the Blue Moon Club. The place was decorated appropriately with exploding stills, corn stalks, and life-size hillbilly cartoons. The Golden Heart Formal, which is held in February, is the next feature on our social calendar.

Jerry Brennan has just returned from Korea where he spent over a year on the front lines with the Marines.

—JOHN SMITH

Washington State

Newly elected officers for the spring semester are: president, John Sandburg; vice-president, Bill Kirk; secretary, David Coburn; comptroller, Rod Ingham; historian, Jack White; house cop, Mike Dake, and chaplain, Bill McCaw.

Sandburg was honored by being mentioned in *Who's Who in American Education*.

December 8, 1951 found the Washington State Sig Ep pledges giving their annual pledge dance. This year's theme was "Emanon" (no name, spelled backwards). Members, pledges, and guests all came in costumes ranging from lumberjacks to fishermen. The winter formal was held in February.

This chapter is leading the race for the intramural trophy. We recently won the volleyball championship, and placed second in cross-country.

Formal rush period started February 11. At present the house could hold 4 to 5 more men. The total enrollment in the house at present is 28 members and 17 pledges. —JACK WHITE

Wyoming

Manpower: 27 actives, 9 pledges.
During September, with the help of the alumni we held a well-organized rush party in Cheyenne at one of the clubs near town. The party drew 15 pledges who turned out to comprise the entire pledge class in the initial pledging.
Initiation was held January 20, for Robert Pearce, Edward Christenson, Leroy Johnson, and Roy Henderson, all of Cheyenne, Marvin Hein of Greybull, and Leslie Hearn, of Rock Springs.

Our main achievement has been to win first place in baseball which netted us a beautiful trophy.

We have mothers' club organized in Cheyenne whose members have given us curtains for our den and money to have the floor tiled. Many utensils for our kitchen have been given including an electric french-frier as a Christmas gift.

Our pledge dance was on a French motif. Our winter quarter formal will be held February 21.

A report with pictures will be sent for the May JOURNAL, and we will also tell of our other activities. A number of us are looking forward to the district convention in April.

Bill Andrau and Bob Bunten are on the varsity swimming team.

—WAYNE HELTERBRAN and JACK WIESE



West Virginia's Sig Ep queen Betsy Knight with her escort Joe Vinson.

★ HABITAT HEROINE ★



MRS. CARL McKANE
Iowa State College

MRS. CARL McKANE is serving her third year as housemother to the men of Iowa Beta at Ames. The ways in which she helps us are legion.

She is first of all a perfect hostess and helps to make guests feel that the Iowa Beta house is a true fraternity home—this applies to the rushees also. During the summers, Mother McKane obtains fine experience in producing an atmosphere of hospitality in her position as hostess at the Lakeshore Hotel at Clear Lake, Iowa.

Mom, or Charmin, as we sometimes call her, not only plays the piano (as she is doing for our song practice in the above picture), but she sings beautifully and now and then entertains us on her ukulele.

It is a pleasure to introduce Mom to our parents when they visit the house, or our dates. She has a genuine fondness for people and seldom forgets a name or face.

We at Iowa Beta all feel that she is the perfect housemother.

—JACK E. LEAMAN



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■ An oddment of information coming out of Albuquerque is that the New Mexico chapter is developing a fowl-breeding activity incidental to chapter operations. Present inventory: five ducks, three chicken-pheasants.

■ Most recent presentation of the Grand Chapter Scholarship Cup was made in January to Ralph C. Faust, Jr., president of Pennsylvania Nu, on behalf of the Thiel chapter.

Another Scholarship Cup was given to the Carroll College chapter for topping all campus fraternities for the 1950-51 session.

■ Lyle E. Holmgren, '36, first president of Utah Alpha chapter, and his wife, Gayle, Chi Omega alumnus, have gradually assumed the duties of official greeters of Sig Ep alumni who return to their campus town. Gayle and Lyle run the charming Gift House in Logan and have a first-rate opportunity to see and visit with all the old grads from time to time. Lyle has his own airplane and invites all the brothers to see their old alma mater from the air when they come to town.

■ Latest owner of a red door is the chapter at Baker University, Baldwin, Kan., whose historian reports that the new decor has created some comment among the other fraternities and townspeople.

■ This issue as the editor sees it.—Not so good, men. JOURNAL correspondents and photographers had other things to do, or perhaps we didn't go after material energetically enough. Though many of the reliable contributors came through very well, as they always have, no one exerted the extra effort to perform a job in the true sense outstanding compared with the splendid deeds of many of our diligent, hard-working contributors of the past.

—J.R.



"Uh, Brown—about your pledge duties . . ."

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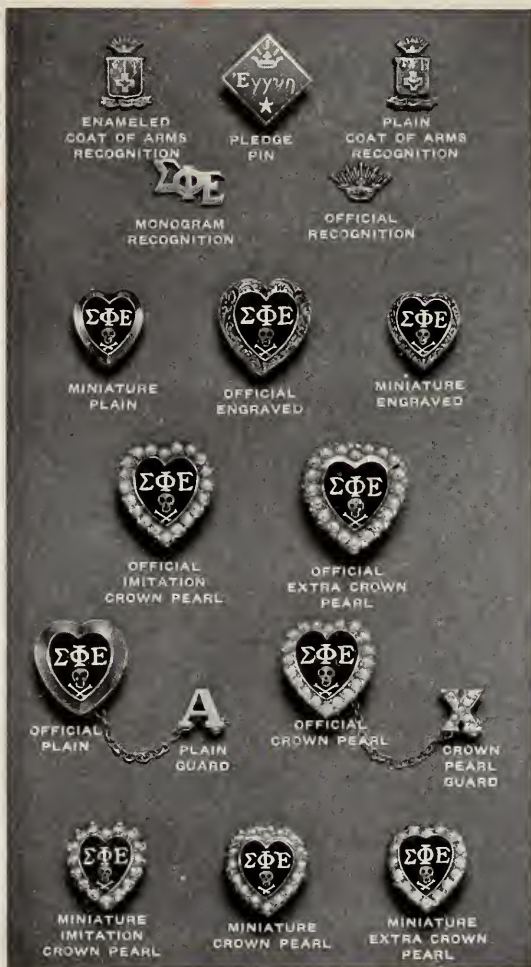
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